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Campus

CENTENNIAL CLOSURE

Northwest finalizes its year-long centennial celebration. see **9, 10A**

DONATED MICROSCOPE

Science department gets new Electron Microscope donated by Hallmark. see **2A**

Local

PALMS PERFORMANCE

Nathan Brooks, Northwest Missouri State alumnus, will be performing live at 9 p.m., Thursday, March 30, at The Palms Bar and Grill, 422 N. Buchanan St.

CARNIVAL

South Nodaway Parent and Teacher Organization will host a carnival from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday, April 1, at the elementary school in Guilford, Mo. A spaghetti supper and silent auction will also take place.

PUB PERFORMANCES

Some Kansas City based bands will converge on the Pub this weekend; Bodisarth, Flak and the Leo Project.

MORE DONATIONS

With the scheduled construction date for the Campaign for Community Renewal fast approaching, donations are still coming in. On Tuesday, Citizen's Bank and Trust presented the campaign with a check for \$5,000. To date the citizens group has raised \$1.5 million. There are still \$150,000 dollars still available for the NAP tax credits for donations. The campaigns citizens group meets every Wednesday morning at 7:30 in the City Hall council chambers.

Lifestyles

GET IT STRAIGHT

Follow the lifestyle trend sweeping areas of Kansas City, Mo. See **8B**

Sports

LEADING HOME

Maryville football coach Paul Miller steps down due to personal reasons. see **1B**

MOVIN' OUT?

Northwest mens basketball coach Steve Tappmeyer shows an interest in Division I job. see **1B**

NCAA

Check out the NCAA bracket business challenge. see **4,5B**

Corrections

In the March 16 issue of The Missourian, the "Blushing Bride" feature photo on 1A incorrectly identified Rachel Ludwig as Sarah Windhorse.

In the March 16 issue of The Missourian, the article on 3A titled "Former Bearcat Enters Politics" incorrectly reported on the University's political policy. First of all, custodians are not considered members of the faculty. Secondly, the faculty who run for office also have the option of taking a leave of absence instead of resigning their position.

We apologize for these errors.

BLOTTER

Public safety, municipal court and birth announcements are included.

Buck tries again for district seat

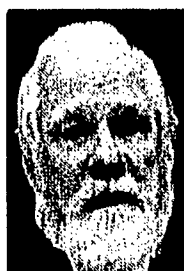
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If 2006 district 6 congressional race was a multiple-choice test; Erik Buck would be the 'none of the above' choice.

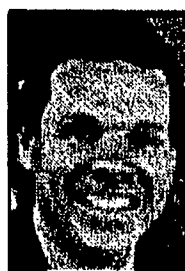
Buck said that people who don't vote are told they don't care and if you vote for one or the other it means you approve. He wants to give voters another option.

This August will be Buck's third time going up against incumbent Sam Graves, who didn't respond after several attempts to reach him.

see **Libertarian on 8A**



Libertarian
Erik Buck



Republican
Sam Graves

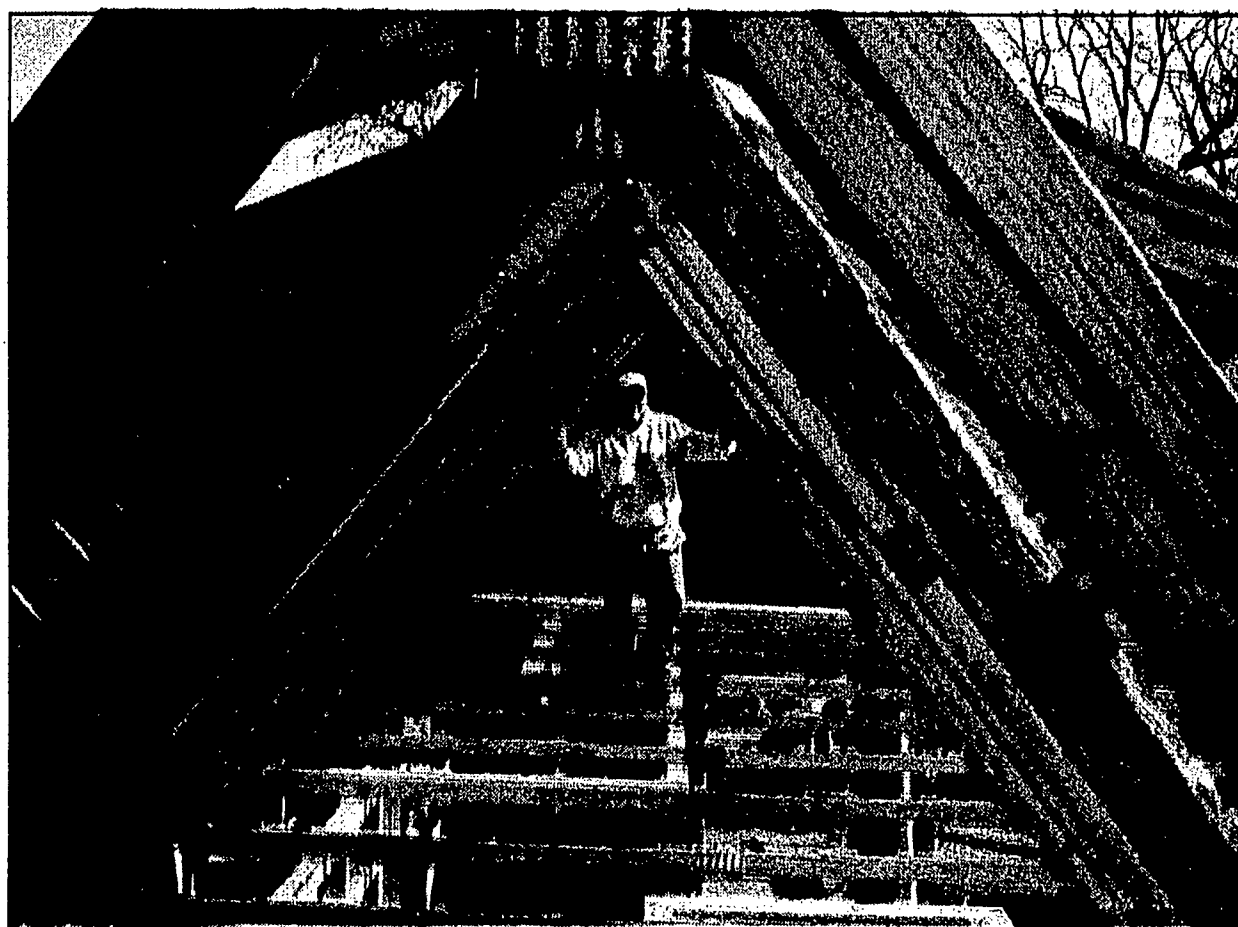


Democrat
Sara Jo Shettles

see **Democrat on 8A**

MISSOURI LEGISLATURE 2006

"It ignites something and is empowering to help people. That gives me satisfaction,"
-Maria Meinen, Northwest senior and Alternate Spring Break volunteer



PHOTOS COURTESY OF JAIME EICKHOFF

JAIME EICKHOFF stands between the trusses of the house she and 29 other Northwest students helped build on Northwest's second annual Alternative Spring Break in Birmingham, Ala., March 15 through 25.

Building 'Bama

By Stephanie Stangl
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The weeklong service trip left an impression on her—but wasn't necessarily life altering.

For someone planning to devote an entire life to serving others and joining the Peace Corps, participating in Northwest's Alternative Spring Break meant something different to Northwest graduating senior Maria Meinen than to the other volunteers.

"I've always known I wanted to serve," Meinen said. "It ignites something and is empowering to help people. That gives me satisfaction."

But to the remaining 29 students and three chaperones venturing 14 hours to Birmingham, Ala., March

see **'Bama on 8A**

Northwest students traveled to Birmingham over Spring Break in hopes of helping build houses for two families to call home



NORTHWEST STUDENTS helped build two houses in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity. (From left to right) Jill Culley, Heather Bozarth and Stephanie James.

Shettles' takes first run for District 6

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Sara Jo Shettles is a grandmother who has worked in the public for many years but has never run for an office.

She currently sits on eight committees and boards in Clay County.

She also knows the struggles many farmers face, having one of her own.

"I understand the mercy at which farmers live," Shettles said. "I understand their at the mercy of the economy and the mercy of Mother Nature."

She believes her experience will

Admin fire produces unlikely outcomes

By Evan Young
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Looking at the Administration Building, one of the most prominent and historic structures on the Northwest campus, it may be hard to visualize flames leaping out of the windows, licking the red brick walls and thick smoke, slowly engulfing the four majestic towers which give the building its identity.

But for those on campus and in Maryville shortly after 8 p.m. on July 24, 1979, it is not hard at all.

What started as a simple electrical malfunction on the fourth floor ended as a devastating fire completely destroying 60 percent of the Administration Building, and for some, the outlook of the future of Northwest.

Yet, under the leadership of President B.D. Owens and his administration, the state government and hundreds of faculty, staff, student and community volunteers, the University rose from the ashes with a plan for more expansion, and less reconstruction—becoming the solid institution it is today.

Bob Bush and Bob Henry, former administrators and members of the President's Cabinet in 1979, said the bulk of the credit should go to Owens, who had developed his "vision" for the institution's future even as the building took in damage.

"The thing about President Owens was that he was so calm, so deliberate and had a feeling of self-confidence that was instilled on all of us," Bush said. "It was in everybody's hearts and minds."

Later that night, Owens called an impromptu midnight meeting at his home, during which he initiated his "business as usual" plan of action.

"The first commitment the President had was to make sure the summer session continued without interruption and that we do everything we could to plan so that there would also be no interruption of the fall trimester, which was to begin almost exactly one month

see **FIRE on 8A**

Restaurant gets upgrade

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The student body can expect an upgraded dining experience when Bobby's Grille re-opens as JW's this fall.

The project, estimated at just over \$100,000, is geared for a mid-July finish, according to Mark Galbraith, construction project manager.

"We started renovation work on the 22, starting the demolition and taking out carpet and changing the hard surfaces," Galbraith said.

JW's will feature an expanded menu, different seating, lighting changes and a faster and more convenient ordering system according to Jessica Whaley, campus dining marketing manager.

"The biggest reason that we are

doing it is that there wasn't enough prep space to do the full menu that we wanted," she said. "The biggest improvement for us is that we are going to expand our prep line."

Whaley said with the expanded prep line, JW's will be able to offer cold sandwiches, hot sandwiches, more appetizers and soup specials not previously available at Bobby's.

When a student orders from the new menu, they will receive a pager that will go off when their order is ready for pick up.

The pager system allows the student to go anywhere in the Union while their food is being prepared.

JW's will also have televisions installed that will feature the trivia network, which allows students to compete with their friends and other students in the country.

Campus Dining is also looking into the possibility of keeping the restaurant open on Friday nights.

"We are taking it to some of the different groups on campus, because it's something you might want to do on a Friday night, if you're not the kind of person who wants to go downtown," she said.

The renovations came to fruition after student affairs received some suggestions from the student body on how to improve the dining experience.

"Bobby's was not getting the traffic that we would like to see," she said. "We could have handled a lot more people. We thought if we added some more menu options and make it a little better place to hang out, we might get a little more business in there."

A GRAND AFFAIR

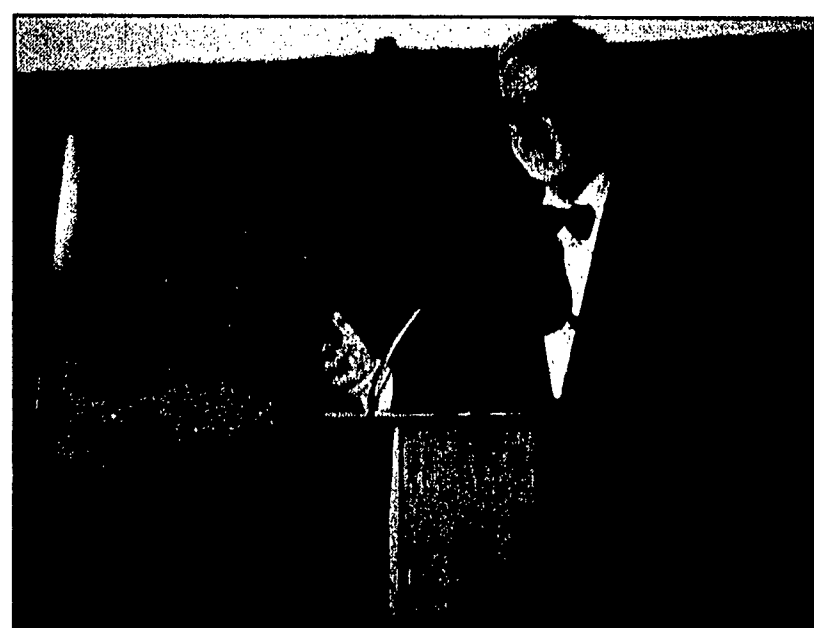


PHOTO BY MIKE DYE / NWMISSOURIAN

PRESIDENT DEAN HUBBARD addresses attendees at Northwest's Centennial Gala, March 18, at the Maryville Community Center. The Gala raised more than \$48,000 for the American Dream Grant. See **8A** and **10A** for further Centennial coverage.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Geologist to speak as final Centennial Lecturer

Northwest's Centennial Lecture Series concludes with geologist Lanny Woods at 8 p.m., Wednesday, April 5, in the J.W. Jones Student Union Ballroom.

Woods's lecture focuses on how Northwest prepares its students for their first job.

A 1979 Northwest graduate and certified professional geologist, Woods is the executive vice president of Primary Natural Resources, Inc., an independent oil and gas company that operates more than 400 oil and gas rigs and related operations located primarily in Wyoming.

The lecture is free and open to the public.

Encore ends with salute to "Ol' Blue Eyes"

Northwest's Encore performing arts series concludes with the Broadway hit, "Our Sinatra: A Big Band Musical Celebration," at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 4, at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

The musical review takes audience members through the long, successful career of Frank Sinatra, popular entertainer and interpreter of classic American ballads. A live band and three New York-based singers highlight more than 60 songs made popular by Sinatra, including "My Way," and "Come Fly With Me."

Tickets to "Our Sinatra" are \$22 for orchestra seating and \$20 for balcony seating. They are available at the Student Services Center on the first floor of the Administration Building, by phone at 562-1212 or at Nwmissouri.edu/tickets.

Sororities host spring philanthropy events

Alpha Sigma Alpha will host its first annual Swing-a-Thon from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, April 2, at Beal Park. Members will swing continuously for seven hours to raise funds for the S. June Smith Center in Lancaster, Pa. Visitors can purchase water balloons to throw at the swinging ASA members.

Free will donations are also accepted. For more information, contact Jeremiah Lawson, assistant director of Student Activities, at 562-1217.

Also, Sigma Sigma Sigma will host "Jumping 4 Robbie" from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 5, at the Memorial Bell Tower. Members will jump on a trampoline for 12 hours to raise funds for The Robbie Page Foundation, a non-profit organization that raises money for children's physical therapy. Water balloons will be for sale to throw at members, and visitors can join the ladies on the trampoline for \$4.

Panel to discuss U.S. economic divide

The Northwest Philosophy Club sponsors "Rich and Poor: A Panel Discussion on the Ethics of Economic Disparity," at 4:45 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, in the Station.

Five speakers with expertise in Philosophy, Economics, Sociology and Political Science from Northwest and Missouri Western State University in St. Joseph, Mo., will discuss the acceptability of the economic divide between the rich and the poor in the United States. The panel is free and open to the public.

Volunteers still needed for cemetery project

The office of Volunteerism and Service Learning is still looking for volunteers to help restore Shambarger-Cox Cemetery, near Graham, Mo., from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 1. Transportation will be provided. For more information, or to volunteer, contact Angela Perkins, coordinator of volunteerism and service learning, at 562-1954.

Northwest alumna, computer pioneer to speak on campus

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Alumna Jean Jennings Bartik went from being the only female in most of her math classes at Northwest to being one of the select group to program the world's first computer.

On April 7, Bartik returns to campus for the Consortium for Computing Colleges: 2006 Central Plains Conference.

The free lecture, "Luck Beats Brain: A Personal History of Computing," will be at 7:15 p.m. in the J.W. Jones Student Union Ballroom.

Bartik graduated from Northwest in the Spring of 1945. Later that year, she was one of six women chosen to program the world's first electronic computer, the Electronic Numerical Integrator and Computer (ENIAC). The ENIAC was originally commissioned by the U.S. Army to help with World War II.



Jean Jennings Bartik

Bartik was also one of the four women that programmed the Universal Automatic Computer (UNIVAC), the world's first commercial-stored program computer. In 1997, Bartik and the other women that contributed to the ENIAC and the UNIVAC finally received recognition for their work and were inducted into the Women Technology International Hall of Fame.

Assistant director and archivist of Information Systems Department Kim Todd said Bartik is a "great pioneer for women."

"It's a great honor to have her back on campus. We have a person who is a living piece of history who was computing pioneer, a graduate from Northwest who made a significant contribution to the field of computing," Todd said.

Jon Rickman, Director of the Information Systems Department is looking forward to Bartik coming to campus.

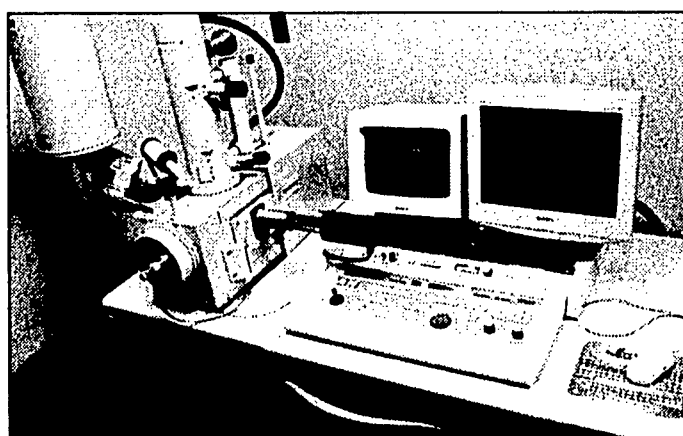


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THE SCIENCE department now has a new electron microscope that will benefit both science students and faculty. The microscope is the first of its kind at Northwest.

Hallmark donates new microscope

By Andrew Glover
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Recently, Northwest acquired an electron microscope as a gift from Hallmark in Kansas City, Mo., which will put Northwest in good company with those who already have this scope.

Gregg Dieringer, chair of biological sciences, said this machine can be found at most state colleges and universities, but it is the first of its kind on this campus.

"It uses electrons to image specimens, specifically it's used to image external shapes and morphologies," Dieringer said. "It doesn't see into the inside of cells."

The microscope is different than most light microscopes used by students in lab because it uses electrons rather than light to view specimens which increases the resolution, Dieringer

said.

Students and faculty will benefit from this machine because it will allow them to view things with more magnification.

Kurt Haberyan, professor of biological science, said it will be better to visualize different objects at high magnitudes.

"As far as the students are concerned, it will give us the capability of teaching more technologically oriented classes in support of nano technology, and bio technology," Haberyan said.

According to Haberyan, just about any type of cell can be viewed using the scope.

Northwest obtained the microscope after the technician retired, and rather than rehiring someone to operate it, Hallmark decided to either sell or donate it to an institution, Dieringer said.

Speaker to explore religious parallels

By Tara Adkins
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Judaism and Christianity join in a religious presentation to celebrate the new season.

The Campus Christian House sponsors Heather Blecher's presentation, "The Christ in the Passover," which explores connections between the Jewish Passover and Jesus' Last Supper at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, in the Charles Johnson Theater.

The presentation highlights a series of lessons, taught by Northwest campus minister Vic Coston at the Christian Campus House. The series is called "Face to Face with the King of Kings," in which students look at numerous encounters and confrontations Jesus had with a number of individuals.

"It is an experience of sights, sounds, smells and taste...the first time I experienced this presentation my jaw literally dropped," Coston said.

During her presentation, Blecher will demonstrate step-by-step a tra-

ditional Jewish Passover meal and convey specific parts of the meal that correlate with Christ and the Last Supper using Hebrew words and songs.

Each detail of the table, including the four specific cups and each food item, will provide relevant details between Judaism and Christianity. The event will also include communion for anyone willing to participate.

"It's amazing how closely intertwined Passover and Christ are. On the outside you wouldn't realize it but she really ties the two together in her presentation," host Bryan Clark said.

Blecher belongs to Jews for Jesus, a volunteer Jewish witnessing group where her presentation was adapted. She will use the Old Testament and New Testament of the Scriptures to weave the resurrection of Jesus Christ with the Jewish Passover meal.

"Hopefully students will see the fulfillment of prophecy in Passover and Christ which proves His existence," Clark said.

For more information, contact the Campus Christian House at 582-7171.

OH, SO TWISTED



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JAIME EICKHOFF, member of the HPERD club, plays Twister with Northwest student Dan Johnson as part of the HPERD club's health fair Wednesday in the Union. Members of the club hoped tables filled with helpful information on how to eat better and exercise persuaded students to lead a healthier lifestyle.

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Maryville prepares for flu pandemic

University Health Center officials, Health Department officials offer safety tips

By Alison Glasscock
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In the inevitable case of an outbreak of pandemic influenza the Nodaway County Health Department and the University Health Center have a few suggestions for staying healthy.

"Pandemic, by definition, is when an infectious disease has become more than an epidemic. Pandemic is worse than an epidemic," said Jerry Wilmes, director of the University Health Center. "The pandemic part (of pandemic influenza) means across the globe, it's a serious problem."

Pandemic influenza is a very serious threat to all people because health officials don't know what the influenza virus will mutate into, so there are no vaccinations.

"Pandemic influenza is a flu that causes a global outbreak of serious illness," said Lesley Schulte, regional response planner for the Nodaway County Health Department. "And with little immunity the disease can spread easily from person to person."

The United States has experienced pandemic outbreaks of influenza before, the worst being in 1918. Schulte said no cases of pandemic influenza have been reported in the United States to date, but the public should still consider the possibility. Wilmes stated that it's just a matter of time until the virus reaches the United States.

There are a few simple things that families can do to prepare. Schulte suggests creating a three-step family plan. While forming the family plan you must take into consideration your daily life. One thing that you can do in this step is to not attend large gatherings of people, such as a child's birthday party or a basketball game. This is called "social distancing" and according to Wilmes, does not need to be enacted until cases of pandemic influenza have been reported in our area.

Preparing a kit is the second

step. In this step families must gather and store food, water, medication and other supplies that might be needed if asked to stay in the home for days.

Lastly families must listen for information because of the situation at hand. Families can rely on the local and national media for information. Schulte said it is extremely important for the public to stay informed.

The Health Department strongly encourages families to make family plans and to tailor these plans to fit the family's specific needs. Schulte said it's not just families that must plan what's going to happen if pandemic influenza breaks out. Churches, schools and organizations must have plans for their own specific needs.

The public must also take care of themselves individually. Wilmes said the most important way to help prevent an outbreak of pandemic flu is to have good personal hygiene.

Frequent hand washing, covering coughs and sneezes by using the bend of the elbow and staying home if you're sick are three of the easiest ways to stay healthy. Also people should avoid animals, especially birds, that could be infected with the influenza virus.

The Nodaway County Health Department is not alone in educating the public about this possible pandemic influenza event. The University Health Center is also helping to educate and prepare the public. These two organizations are working with many Maryville businesses as well as state and federal agencies.

For further information or any questions contact Lesley Schulte or Della Rhoades at the Nodaway County Health Department at 562-2755 or the Northwest University Health Center at 562-1348.

The Center for Disease Control's offers a Web site with more in-depth checklists for preparedness. For this information go to Pandemicflu.gov.

ST. PATTY'S SHOWER



A **PARTIER** jumps under the water from a dump truck during the St. Patrick's Day parade. The annual event started at 5:17 p.m. at the Fourth Street intersection and continued on to Fifth Street.

Tax continuation to be voted upon

By Jared Bailey
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Voters will soon have a choice to make, keep the Mazingo Lake Park and Golf Courses well maintained, or lose a sales tax.

April 4 Maryville residents will vote on a half cent sales tax that funds the expansion and upkeep of the recreational areas around Mazingo.

The levy of the tax (equaling 1 percent of every purchase in Maryville) would last for an additional 10 years. (If the vote fails, then the tax will expire April 2007.)

City Manager Michael Rietz, has estimated that the tax generates approximately \$800,000 per year. Should the citizens of Maryville agree to carry on with the tax, there is a list of potential additions that could be placed around Mazingo.

"There is a group now talking about creating some (more) bike trails out there," Rietz said. "That is still in the planning stages but that is something that is likely to figure into our next five or 10 year plan."

In response to a survey randomly sent to 1,500 citizens, there have been many

requests for additional RV pad sites and additional family cabins at Mazingo Lake Park. Other desires from the majority include lit driving ranges and junior golf courses at the Mazingo Golf Course.

"Overall this response has been really tremendous," said Lee Langerock, executive director of Nodaway County economic development. "We really appreciate people taking the time to fill out the surveys and send them back. We had a goal of receiving 500 of those back. It's so nice to know that we have people who care over and beyond that. We can really look at those percentages and see what people are interested in."

Jeff Funston, a local resident interested in the activities at the lake, expressed his feelings about the lake's current situation.

"The passage of the extension of the half cent sales tax would really go a long way in keeping Mazingo a first class facility," Funston said. "There is an expense involved in keeping it all maintained. They have done an excellent job in keeping Mazingo Park maintained. I think as a citizen of Maryville I am very proud of what has happened out there."

CITYBRIEFS

Maryville native opera legend dies

Sarah Caldwell, 82, known greatly for being the founder of the Opera Company of Boston, died March 23 at Maine Medical Center in Portland.

Caldwell was born in Maryville on March 6, 1924. By the age of 6 she was performing the violin in out of state concerts. She moved with her mother and brother to Fayetteville when her mother married Henry Alexander, and later Caldwell attended the New England Conservatory of Music where she studied opera production, stage design, conducting, violin and viola.

Before the age of 20 Caldwell staged her first opera, Ralph Vaughn William's *Riders to the Sea*. In 1948 she obtained her first teaching position at the Berkshire Music Center. She left in 1952 and headed the Opera Workshop Department at Boston University until 1960.

It was 1957 when Caldwell founded the Boston Opera Group, later renamed the Opera Company of Boston. The company closed in 1991.

Along with being the first woman to conduct at the Metropolitan Opera, Caldwell also conducted many symphony concerts around the world.

Julio's presents free fashion show

A free fashion show will be held at 2 p.m. April 23 at the Julio's Banquet Room, 2805 S. Main St. in Maryville.

The show will include door prizes, raffles and refreshments. Money raised will go to NoCoMo Industries.

The event is sponsored by NoCoMo Thrift Store, Julio's, and Bitter Sweet Floral and Gifts.

Show Me Tractor Cruise sets summer date

The 2006 Show Me Tractor Cruise will be June 24, beginning and ending at Derr Equipment outside of Savannah, Mo.

The cruise is a yearly event to raise money for Camp Quality of northwest Missouri, a summer camp for children with cancer. In 2005, 379 tractors raised almost \$60,000 for the program, helping with almost half the expected campers at Camp Quality of northwest Missouri this summer.

The finalized route, host communities and break schedule will be posted soon. Registration forms have been mailed, but if you would like to be added to the mailing list call (660) 778-3476. For more information go to Showmetractorcruise.com.

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OURVIEW

Triumph from tragedy

In devastating loss, Northwest found victory in the rubble. On the precipice of the University's death, a potential death-knell became an instance of resurrection.

When a fire decimated one of Northwest's iconic structures, the Administration Building, slightly over 4,000 students attended Northwest—and the state nearly closed the school. The fire destroyed the auditorium housed in the building and the then-home of KXCV.

But Northwest would not be killed so easily.

Not only did Northwest President B.D. Owens, state representative Everett Brown and state senator Hardin Cox obtain \$13.8 million in state funds to rebuild—they became the catalysts for a renaissance without which Northwest could not be the institution we now know.

After converting Wells Hall from a library to a classroom building that became the new home to KXCV and student publications, Northwest began construction of what we today know as B.D. Owens Library and the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. That single catastrophic moment in Northwest's history became our saving grace.

Call it happenstance. Call it irony. Call it what you may.

However one might view that part of Northwest's history, it feels oh-so-appropriate that we mark the culmination of our Centennial celebration by remembering that the blaze that should have killed Northwest gave rise to a breath of life that we've sustained to this day. Northwest could not have provided the unique educational environment it does today without the enterprising determination and fortitude of men such as Owens, Brown and Cox.

For this reason, we at the Northwest Missourian would consider it a fitting show of respect and gratitude for every student to fill the halls of the Administration Building on April 4 when it hosts both an informal gathering and formal commemoration of Northwest's most pivotal turning point. We have those men to thank for our electronic campus, our perennial Baldrige Award contention and our growing reputation as a valued institution of higher education in Missouri.

Student gets first taste of journalism

Editor's Note: Maryville Middle School student Andrew Morris job shadowed at The Missourian March 28. This was a story he wrote while he was here for the day—shortened for space constraints.

By Andrew Morris
Eighth grade student

A concern today among parents today is the young age of which people are marrying. Eric and Fran, a young couple here at Northwest, have given their ideas on marriage today.

As seen today, the roles of marriage partners are changing. Now "When you marry, women aren't expected to immediately drop out and become housewives."

The traditional roles that seem to have been used earlier in marriage seem to no longer apply. Many are not always a big wedding ceremony anymore; sometimes it just involves going to the court house and getting a marriage license.

Fran said, "We could

have run off to a beach and gotten married, but instead we had a big ceremony at home with our family.

Also, Fran and Eric both have different day-to-day schedules; Fran has classes, works and then goes home.

Eric has a similar schedule, but has track practice between work and home.

It seems that people who come from small towns seem to marry their high school sweethearts more than those who come from big cities, whereas the people from the big cities seem to go out and explore the choices before settling down.

"The people from big cities always say to me, I want to go to London or Paris, and then settle down," Fran said.

"But I can go see London and Paris with Eric now."

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Bush sells America for a song, quick bail out

Moment by moment, George W. Bush becomes the single greatest living advertisement for the Democratic Party.

Time and again lately, the man seems intent on proving he would sell his mother for \$20. He tried to sell vital ports to a country with a questionable stance—i.e., a fence-sitting one—on anti-U.S. terrorism. But it seems shortly before he pawned Air Force One for beer money, he came up with something much more lucrative.

"Hey, I like the big flyin' machine! Flyin' makes George happy! But hey, what's with all these trees I see everywhere with non-taxpaying critters holed up...?"

Dear...sweet...Lord.

Yes, Bush wants to raise \$800 million to help out rural schools and pay down the deficit by selling 300,000 acres of national forest in 41 states—including Missouri—to private buyers. Thankfully, rumors that Bush plans to square-dance on the grave of Theodore

Jagged Edges



Sean Comer
Opinion Editor

Roosevelt remain unsubstantiated. Put this in perspective for a moment.

Bush would take quite possible one of the greatest lasting achievements of the most conservation-oriented president in American history and put them on the chopping block to bail himself out.

Forget that these forests have helped fish and wildlife thrive and prosper in states like Missouri, where the whitetail deer population has risen from the 2,000s to over 700,000 in just over 65 years. Forget the fact that Missouri's own Mark Twain National Forest accounts for 12 percent of the land that would be sold, or that Missouri's rural schools would receive a paltry 1 percent of the revenue for kissing one of our finest resources goodbye.

Instead, ponder the unsettling fact that Bush couldn't spare even a pittance of the \$7 billion he blew helping out the natural gas and oil industries to help schools, but would slap a price tag on a century-old tradition of placing no

monetary value on the future enjoyment of America's natural resources.

Bush could've lent a hand to the Secure Rural Schools Program any number of ways. He could've spent \$800 million from any number of alternative sources without asking those of us who enjoy America's bountiful natural resources by hunting, fishing and hiking in these forests to foot the bill.

I give up. At some point, even I can't defend someone. Lately, the ideas only seem to become more and more far-fetched, ill-advised or flat-out insane.

I gave Bush the benefit of a doubt throughout many of his decisions as President. I could logically defend many of his major decisions as meaningful but being debatable from an opposing perspective.

While I can't—and, most likely, won't—find a Democratic candidate worthy of my next vote, I count the years and months until I at least have a fresh set of options from which I can start from scratch.

I just hope when that time comes, Bush hasn't put the White House on eBay—though I wonder if he'd take a check...

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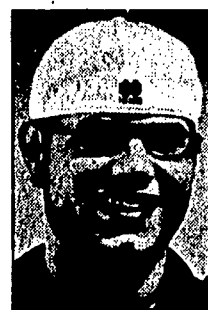
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Who is going to be in the National Championship?



"Let's go with LSU and Texas,"
Samantha Dalton
Wildlife Ecology, Conservation



"Probably LSU and I'd hope George Mason, because you have to root for the underdog, right?"
Ben Karney
Geography



"Probably LSU and Florida,"
Laura Cooper
Psychology

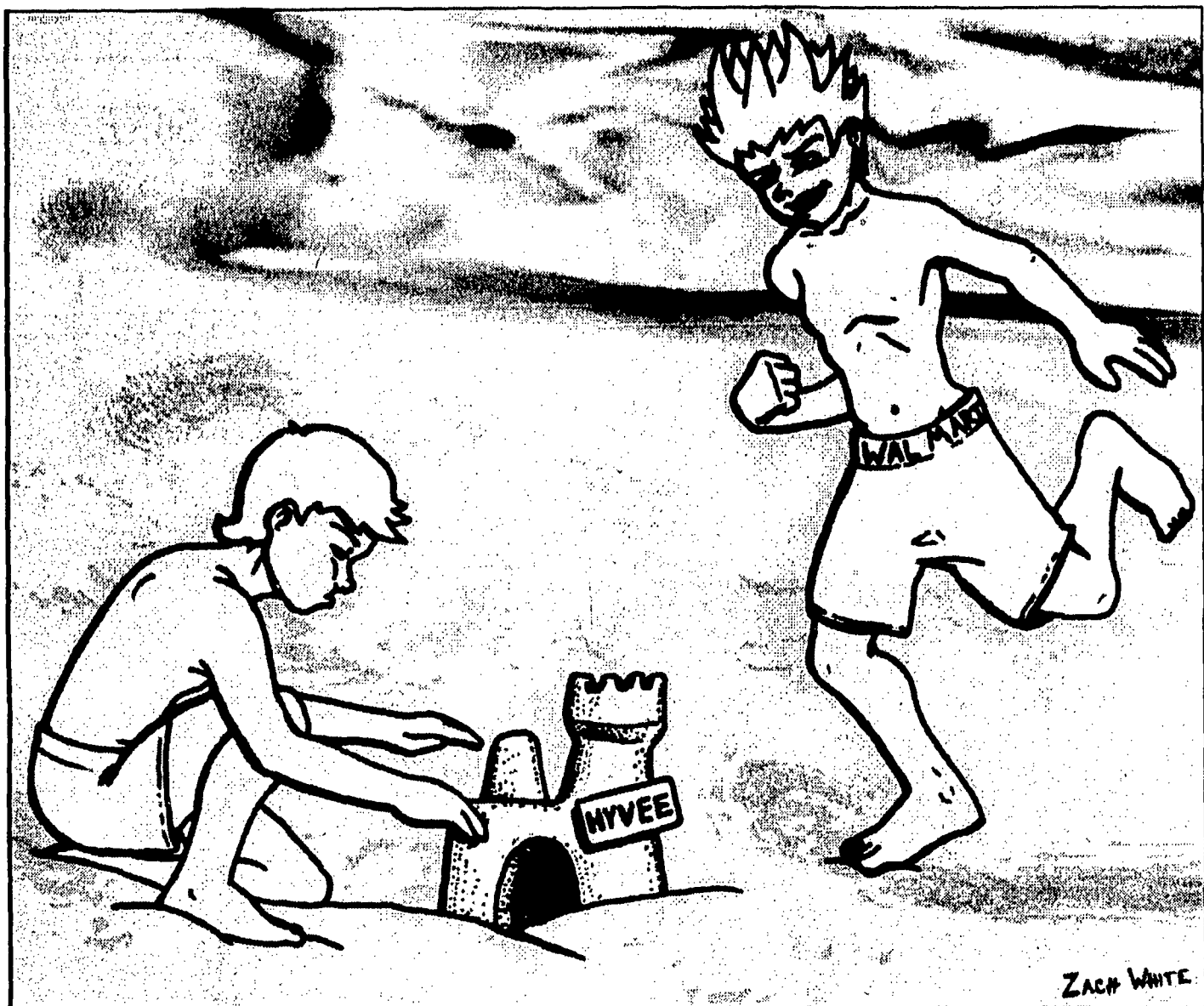


"George Mason and LSU,"
Jamal Rankins
Psychology



"Probably Texas and I don't know the other side,"
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Defining our democracy

If one asked the American people to find the meaning of democracy, that quest would likely result in agreement on one unifying principle: the common people control the government. In a democracy, the elected leaders reflect the will of the people. The United States of America, the once progressive poster-child for democracies around the world, meets this fundamental qualification and seeks to establish

this in governments abroad, right? Wrong, at least according to Noam Chomsky, the world-renowned "left-wing" intellectual and staunch critic of U.S. foreign policy.

Chomsky, a Massachusetts Institute of Technology professor emeritus of linguistics, made his case debunking U.S. democratic claims on Monday, Feb. 27, at the Missouri Theatre in Columbia, Mo. The lecture, which I was grateful to attend, was titled "Democracy Promotion: Reflections on Intellectuals and the State." In it, he strongly argued that the U.S. government is very hypocritical in its support of democracy at home and abroad. The United States only supports democracy if, and only if, it agrees and supports American economic and political interests.

In the domestic sphere, the "democratic" election of the current president was hotly contested. Contrary to the majority of the people's will, George W. Bush was elected president due to the Electoral College. While Chomsky did not reference this specifically in his lecture, the undemocratic nature of the Electoral College and the 2000 Presidential election is evidence of

For the Record



Ky Sebastian Kessler
Contributing Columnist

the U.S. government's inability to successfully implement true democracy. Because of reasons such as these, many aspects of the United States government are democratic in name only. This American façade of democracy is also visible in its foreign relations and actions abroad.

The United States is very hypocritical in its support of democratic elections in other countries. In South Korea, for instance, the United States supports a government that is seen by most of the world as very undemocratic. This is due in large part to fairly limited freedoms South Koreans experience, as well as a few questionable elections. It is fairly obvious that South Korean democracy is not one governed by the will of the people. The United States blindly supports this country with severely constrained free speech laws because of its strategic position and bases in the country.

On the other hand, countries with democratic, internationally monitored elections are labeled undemocratic. In some cases, the United States refuses to cooperate with these democratically elected governments. The most recent example of this is seen in the Palestinian elections. The U.S. government originally encouraged Palestinian elections, but shortly before election day, it became clear that the American-backed candidates were not going to win. Hamas won control of the government by a sizeable amount. Now the U.S. government refuses to work with the Palestinian Authority, claiming the same U.S.-backed elections as undemo-

cratic. This is not the case, as the elections were monitored and legitimate. The United States slandered the Palestinian elections simply because Hamas opposes American support for Israel. The will of the people dictated that they wanted Hamas to represent them in government, regardless of what they symbolize.

Chomsky cited numerous other examples of the United States' inconsistencies in supporting democracy abroad. One recent example is United States' attempt to crush anti-American Islamic parties in Iraq and Afghanistan, in spite of the fact that the citizens of those countries tend to favor those parties. Once again, the will of the people has been squelched by the U.S.'s selfish policies.

The word "democracy" is not to be used lightly, contrary to the beliefs of American politicians. With the use of this governmental style come responsibilities. The first and foremost of those responsibilities is to support the will of the people in controlling the government. If the United States of America continues to ignore this responsibility, it will lose what is left of its credibility.

As Chomsky's lecture showed, the United States must display true democratic consistency in its foreign and domestic actions. In order to achieve this democratic consistency, the federal government must realize that the will of the people must determine who is in government, regardless of the political and economic repercussions.

Without this fundamental element of democracy applied on a domestic level, there is no hope for the United States to establish democracies abroad.

Lager reflects on '06 session

Last week, the general assembly was on spring break. I spent the week visiting the 14 public schools in my district and reading to the second grade classes.

The rest of my time was spent traveling the district visiting with constituents and getting their thoughts on the first half of the 2006 legislative session.

These discussions provided me the opportunity to hear first hand what the citizens of northwest Missouri believe and how they feel about the direction in Jefferson City, Mo. Thank you to all of you who took time out of your day to share your ideas, your thoughts and your concerns.

It is hard to believe that we have completed the first half of the 2006 legislative session. It has been an interesting year, as we have not spent much on the House floor debating and discussing legislation thereby leaving a lot of work to be done in the second half of the 2006 session.

Before we finally adjourn the 2006 legislative session in May, we have many important issues that will be discussed, debated and hopefully passed.

One of the most impor-

Capitol Report



Brad Lager
Missouri Representative

tant pieces of legislation will be the protection of Missouri's property owners from excessive and/or inappropriate uses of eminent domain.

We will pass a Jessica's Law, setting mandatory sentences and lifetime tracking for those convicted of child sex crimes.

We will hopefully pass responsible legislation that will ensure 10 percent of our fuel blend is ethanol thereby taking the first steps in lessening our reliance on foreign oil.

Although it will be very difficult, I remain hopeful that we can force this "spend it because we have it" general assembly to pass a spending limitations bill that will limit governmental spending growth to cost of living plus 1 percent.

Finally, I hope to pass legislation which directs the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to establish guidelines and procedures for a high quality early childhood and preschool program.

I would like to thank you

for allowing me the opportunity to represent you in Jefferson City.

It is a great honor, and I

look forward to serving you and fighting for you in the months ahead.

Missouri goes on fiscal diet

Missouri taxpayers deserve a government that works for them and is a good steward of their hard earned tax dollars.

My administration is aggressively working to eliminate the wasteful practices of the past and restore sound fiscal management to how the state spends your tax dollars.

Our state was facing a \$1.1 billion budget deficit when I took office in January 2005.

My administration immediately went to work to get the most out of state resources to improve efficiency and provide the best possible services at the least possible expense.

The budget I signed last year eliminated the use of unpredictable, one-time funding sources to balance the budget.

By making prudent and responsible decisions we have moved from a budget shortfall to the first surplus in five years without imposing a tax increase in Missouri.

I directed my department directors to think of Missouri citizens as their customers and shareholders and conduct reviews of every government process with the goal of eliminating waste, simplifying services and automating process whenever and wherever possible.

Some of the things they found are astounding. When conducting inventory, one division uncovered 26 ladders, 100 quarts of two-cycle motor oil, and three brand new weed eaters still in their boxes.

Strangely, the three-story building housing the supplies had only six maintenance personnel and very little grass. We also ended the offensive practice of throwing away your tax dollars on wasted space.

Governor's Desk



Matt Blunt
Governor

By eliminating the unneeded and unnecessary lease contracts for state agencies and taking advantage of state owned property, we saved \$2.2 million. These are just a couple of examples of the wasteful practices of the past that have been identified and elimi-

nated by my administration.

While some of the savings that have been discovered appear small, they add up to real savings for Missourians, freeing up more money for the state to spend on education, roads, health care and other priorities.

Overall, we have identified more than \$100 million in savings.

The budget I signed last year was structurally balanced and ended Missouri's dependence on one-time funds and borrowing or accounting gimmicks.

It worked hand in hand with policy changes, and job creation and the states unemployment numbers reflect the new approach to fixing Missouri's budget.

Over the past year we have created 32,500 jobs and the unemployment number dropped to 4.7 percent, the lowest it has been since September 2001.

Actions undertaken by my administration bring us to a significantly different budget picture this year.

We have moved from a budget shortfall to the first surplus in five years without imposing a job-killing tax increase on Missourians.

We have ended the wasteful practices of the past.

We are no longer spending money we do not have, on things we do not need, and I will continue to build an efficient, effective and responsible government that works for you and spends your money wisely.

Where's your identity been?

Citizens need to protect themselves from identity theft. They need to report any concerns or incidents to avoid having their personal information obtained by unwanted intruders.

This past week I took a trip to Haltom City, Texas. Interestingly enough, I became Alfonso Robinson from Killeen, Texas, for a night.

I was sitting at the Texas Roadhouse, a restaurant just off of Interstate 35 East. I ordered an alcoholic drink, the Texas Tea. The waitress did her routine check of my identification.

What struck me as odd was not only did she take my card and leave, but that she returned with a stranger's information printed out on a receipt. "Here, cross out his information and write down yours."

Can you say "identity theft?"

I had everything I needed, and more. I had Alfonso Robinson's driver's license num-

Just the Facts



Jessica Levicky
Managing Editor

ber, age, birth date, phone number and where he lived.

The waitress informed me that Texas has a system where they swipe the card to obtain your personal information. Since I had a Nebraska license, she decided to type in my information. Knowing that their system cannot handle letters of the alphabet, she skipped over the letter H and went on to the numerals of my license's number, thus bringing up Robinson's information.

Needless to say, the topic of conversation for the rest of the hour consisted of the incident. Two days later, I was still pondering the situation and decided to call the manager to resolve the matter.

What upset me is that I had Robinson's information. I could have easily stolen his identity.

Bank Midwest lists on their Web Site, Bankmidw.com, a few ways to protect yourself from having your identity stolen.

Don't give out personal

information on the phone, through the mail or over the Internet.

■ Don't carry your Social Security number with you or printed on your checks.

■ Don't carry credit cards and identification that you don't need.

■ Place passwords on your credit cards, bank and phone accounts.

■ Most recent cases in Maryville seem to be focused on counterfeit checks and stolen credit card information.

■ One case resulted in a lady's bank account information being stolen. A fake business opened up and started using false checks with her information.

Another case involved a University professor and his late wife. A worker for the professor obtained the wife's information. After she passed away, the professor moved and tried to buy a house but was rejected due to having thousands of dollars in outstanding debt.

Randy Strong, an investigator with Maryville Public Safety, saw an increase in identity thefts over the last

few years. Nationally, the rise of identity theft is mainly with drug dealers as the suspect.

Strong advises shredding all documents before throwing them away. Don't leave purses in the car, whether it's locked or unlocked. Students should keep a close watch on account information and valuable items. If you have a lot of after-hour parties, be careful of people coming in and out and potentially obtaining your information.

At the end of the semester, dumpster diving seems to be the biggest thing. Students throw away papers, documents and canceled or unused checks. Dumpster divers obtain these documents and have their day.

To avoid being a victim or if you suspect you are a victim, you should contact your local police department and have them write a report. Then you should contact all of your financial institutions to let them know what happened. Monitor your accounts and your credit records to make sure any unwanted purchases are not made. For more information, contact your local bank.

BIRTHS

Wyatt Doyle Jackson

A son was born to Sterling and Melissa Jackson, Barnard, Mo. Wyatt weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces. He was born March 1, at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville. Grandparents are Wayne and Jeanne Maness, Maryville; and Randy and Kara Jackson, Barnard, Mo.

Courtney Lynne Faustlin

Steve and Heather Faustlin, Ravenwood, Mo., had their daughter Courtney March 1, at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville. She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces, and joins a brother, Andrew. Grandparents are Wilma Faustlin, Ravenwood, Mo., and Charles and Jackie Hawkins, Maryville.

Sydney Cheyenne Hannah

On Feb. 28, Josh and Jackie Hannah, Bolckow, Mo., welcomed their daughter Sydney at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville. Sydney weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces. She also has an older brother, Keaton. Grandparents are Raymond and Phyllis Mullins, Savannah, Mo.; Delvon Hannah, Bolckow, Mo.; and Bonnie Ruttes, Amity, Mo.

Groat-grandparents are Shirely Mullins, Oregon, Mo.; Veldeon and Jeanine Hannah, Bolckow, Mo.; and Dale and Bonnie Orehas, Savannah, Mo.

Kayla Renae Younger

Tanja Shimak, Maryville, had a daughter March 3, at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville. Kayla weighed 6 pounds, 3 ounces, and joins a brother Justin Shimak. Grandparents are Marianne Birner Younger of Germany, and Gary and Irina Younger, Maryville.

Wyatt James Hunter

A son was born to Jared and Brianne Hunter, Maryville, March 4, at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville. He weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces. Grandparents are Randy and Tonya Kiger, Greencastle, Mo.; Vyley and Phyllis Hunter, King City, Mo. Great-grandparents are Elber and Jolene Johnson, and Mary Mae Kiger all from Greencastle, Mo.; Harvey and Fern Walters, and Jimmie Hunter all from King City, Mo.

Brooke Ann Lininger

On Feb. 25, Clayton and Courtney Lininger, Albany, Mo., had their daughter Brooke at St. Francis Hospital,

Maryville. Brooke weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces, and joins a brother Austin Salsman. Grandparents are Norma and Jerry Morrow, and Thomas McKinney of Albany, Mo.; and Norman and Lavaugh Lininger, Albany, Mo.

Taylor Rose Bird

Diane and Richard Bird of Maryville had a daughter at St. Francis Hospital Feb. 24. Taylor weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces. Grandparents are Herb and Teri Dinham, Murray, Iowa, Roger Bird, Maryville; and Louise and Mike Runde, Hopkins, Mo.

Great-grandparents are Joan Callison and the late Jack Callison, Murry, Iowa, and the late Bernard and Dorothy Dinham; Altha Bird and the late Martin Bird, Maryville, along with Creta Wigton and the late Carroll Wigton, Earlham, Iowa.

Eliot Boyd Gallaher

John and Robin Gallaher had a son, Feb. 23, at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville. He weighed 9 pounds, 2 ounces, and joins sister Natalie. Grandparents are Sharon Carter Valdez and Felipe Valdez, Dripping Springs, Texas; Ben Cartwright, Aus-

tin, Texas; John and Pat Gallaher, Cibola, Texas. Great-grandparents are Stella Humbird, Dallas, Texas.

Andrew Blake Popplewell

Bake Popplewell and Faith Darosette, Albany, Mo., had their son Andrew, March 7, at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville. Andrew weighed 6 pounds, 10 ounces, and joins a brother, Troy Jordan Popplewell. Grandparents are Jerry and Tammy Popplewell, Albany, Mo.; and Leonard and Jane Wilmes, Albany, Mo.

Lola Mae LaVier

Lola Mae was born to Cindy Bell and Kevin LaVier, Columbia, Mo., March 7. She was born at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville, and weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces. Grandparents are Lorette and Terry Bell, Marcelline, Mo.; Lori Melte, Brookfield, Mo.; and David Melte, Fulton, Mo. Great-grandparents are Verona and the late James Hustead, Brookfield, Mo.; Doris and the late Omer Bell, Marcelline, Mo.; and the late Henry Staehle, California, Mo.

Brycen Thomas Albert Dredge

A son was born to Paul and Heather Dredge, Maryville, March 8. Brycen was born at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville, and weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces. He joins two sisters Devin and Shyan; two brothers Dakota, and Tristan; and a cousin Danielle. Grandparents are Thomas and Donna Key, Burlington Junction, Mo.; Ronnie Morrow, Albany, Mo.; Don and Sharon Dredge, Maryville.

Henry William Walker

Tate and Angela Walker, Maryville, had a son, March 20, at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville. He weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces. Grandparents are Curtis and Sandra Giffin, Guilford, Mo.; and Bill and Vicki Walker, Parnell, Mo. Great-grandparents are Thelma and the late Arthur Giffin, Guilford, Mo.

Lloyd and the late Robert Neff, Maitland, Mo.; Yvonne Hilsabeck, Barnard, Mo.; the late Jon Umbenower, and the late LB and Nora Walker.

Jaci Maree Elston

Jaci Maree was born to Brian and Lee Elston, Maryville, March 25. She was born at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville and weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces. Jaci joins one brother, Ethan. Grandparents are Roger and Joan Tammernan, Kimdall, Neb.; and Robert and Virginia Elston of La Vista, Neb. Great-grandparents are Wesley Herbershelmer of Potter, Neb.; Virginia Timmerm, Oro, Neb.; Ed and Ruth Kazmarynski, Papillion, Neb.; and Krystyna McDonald, Waxahatchie, Texas.

Tristin Russell McClain

Megan Ashley and Russell McClain, Skidmore, Mo., are the parents of Tristin Russell McClain, born March 26, at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville. Tristin weighed 6 pounds, 3 ounces. Grandparents are Carrie Lin, Jefferson City, Mo.; Brad Ashley, Maitland, Mo.; and Nancy McClain, Skidmore, Mo. Great-grandparents are Ron Ashley, Maitland, Mo.; and Louella Stevens, Deming, NM.

Taylor Renae Christensen

Donald A. Christensen and Jessica Dymond are the parents of Taylor Renae Christensen born March 23, at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville. She weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces and joins siblings Carter Christensen, Kloeey Dymond and Zoey Christensen. Grandparents are Peggy Partridge, Burlington Junction, Mo.; Bill Dymond, Burlington Junction, Mo.; Jeff and Linda Christensen, Maryville. Great-grandparents are Virginia Partridge and the late Charles Partridge, Maryville; the late Ed and Virginia Christensen, Maryville; and the late Gerald and Doris Porter, Maryville.

Ian James Stepp

Eryn and Tony Stepp, Fairfax, Mo.,

are the parents of Ian James Stepp born March 10, at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville. He weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces. Grandparents are Teresa Burnaldes, Maryville; Chuck and Jackie Loucks, Maryville; Larry and Nan Stepp, Smithville, Mo. Great-grandparents are Jim and Elizabeth Burnaldes, Maryville; and great-great-grandmother is Berniece Burnaldes, Mound City, Mo.

Derek Marvin Quinlin

Joseph and Kelly Quinlin, Maryville, are the parents of Derek Marvin Quinlin, born March 8, at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville. He weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces. Grandparents are Jim and Sharon Adwell and the late Marvin Archer, Ravenwood, Mo.; Tom and Joan Quinlin, Ankeny, Iowa. Great-grandparents are Dorothy Archer, Conception, Mo.; Madonna Strusby, Quilford, Mo.; John and Georgia Adwell, Ravenwood, Mo.; and Marian Quinlin, Breda, Iowa.

PUBLIC SAFETY

March 2

Unknown driver collided with Stephanie Purdie, Maryville, 1100 block North College Drive.

Travis L. Foreman, 21, Maryville, failure to return rental property, 900 block South Main.

March 3

Building fire, structure damage and property loss, 500 block East Seventh.

Larceny, drywall screw gun, router and stilt, 2000 block South Main.

Larceny, Pioneer speakers, 100 block East Third.

March 6

Rosalie Hart, 68, Sheridan, Mo., collided with Lois M. Monk, 77, Maryville, Edwards and Main. Monk cited for careless and imprudent driving.

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March 7

■ **Robert E. Sobbe**, 19, Maryville, collided with **Pamela K. Oglesby**, 47, Maryville, First and Munn. Sobbe cited for failure to yield.

March 8

■ Stealing by deceit, household items, 500 block East First.

■ **Fabian A. Whaley**, 30, St. Joseph, Mo., failure to appear, 300 block North Market.

■ **Kimberley D. Easley**, 20, Maryville, collided with **Josh E. Strathman**, 22, Downing, Mo., Seventh and Main. Easley cited for careless and imprudent driving.

■ Recovered property, purple women's Roadmaster bicycle, Beal Park.

■ Larceny, electric guitar, 100 block North Main.

March 9

■ **Andrea M. Steele**, 19, Warrensburg, Mo., MIP, 200 block West Seventh.

■ **Matthew M. Vetter**, 19, Maryville, MIP, 300 block North Market.

■ **Drayton J. Johnson**, 18, Maryville, under 19 in a bar, possession of another person's ID, 300 block North Market.

■ **Jeffrey K. Grassmeyer**, 18, Des Moines, Iowa, Possession of another person's ID, **Brandon R. Dart**, 20, Maryville, MIP, failure to comply, 300 block North Market.

March 10

■ **Jason D. Perdue**, 22, Maryville, permitting a peace disturbance; **Jason L. Abbuhl**, 19, Maryville, MIP, failure to comply, resisting or interfering with arrest; **Martin D. Curley**, 19, Maryville, MIP, failure to comply, resisting or interfering with arrest, 400 block Lisa Lane.

■ Recovered property, Florida drivers license, bank cards, 600 block South Main.

■ **Wesley G. Parker II**, 22, Maryville, third degree domestic assault, 2600 block South Main.

March 11

■ **Sara J. Carlson**, 16, Creston, Iowa, collided with **Whitney L. Turner**, 16, Clive, Iowa, North Grand and College Avenue. Carlson cited for failure to yield.

■ **Bradley A. Miller**, 20, Maryville, MIP, **Brian W. Ogle**, 20, Maryville, MIP, **Robert E. Scarbrough**, 20, Sugar Creek, Mo., MIP, 600 block North Mulberry.

■ Burglary, alcohol, window damage, 1100 block East Fifth.

■ Assault, ongoing investigation, 700 block North Walnut.

■ Larceny, gas drive off, 900 block South Main.

■ Larceny, cash, 1100 block South Main.

■ **Travis W. Davis**, 27, Maryville, collided with **Lois J. Otto**, 81, Maryville, South Avenue and Main. Davis cited for failure to yield.

March 12

■ **Kyle A. Bauer**, 19, Liberty, Mo., MIP, 800 block College Avenue.

■ Property damage, mailbox and residence damage, 700 block Peaceful Way.

March 14

■ **Aaron M. Brown**, 24, Oregon, Mo., failure to appear, 200 block East Third.

March 15

■ **Jonathan B. Quick**, 19, Maryville, failure to appear, 200 block East Third.

■ **Christopher Gibbs**, 21, Maryville, indecent exposure, 1200 block South Main.

■ Receiving stolen property, ongoing investigation, 1500 block East First.

■ **Samuel L. Hunt**, 72, Ravenwood, Mo., collided with Julie Hewitt, 1500 block North Main.

■ Vehicle damage, 300 block South Prairie.

■ Towed vehicle, 1984 red Crown Victoria, 100 block East Second.

■ Disorderly conduct, ongoing investigation, 2600 block South Main.

■ **Christopher L. Pitts**, 23, Maryville, contempt of court, 2600 Burrill Road.

March 16

■ Larceny from Vehicle, car stereo, speakers, amp, 200 block West Thompson.

■ Larceny from vehicle, car stereo, 2500 block Aurora Avenue.

■ Stolen vehicle, referred to juvenile office, 1200 block Crestview Drive.

■ **Amy L. Allen**, 29, Hopkins, Mo., possession of drug paraphernalia, driving while suspended, failure to maintain financial responsibility, improper registration, 200 block North Buchanan.

■ Property damage, Panasonic CD player, various CDs, wallet, cash, vehicle damage, 800 Birchwood Circle.

■ Property damage, vehicle damage, 2500 block Aurora Avenue.

■ **Seth N. Wilmes**, 20, Maryville; **Tyler B. Schmidt**, 19, Maryville; **Cody L. Piveral**, 20, Maryville; **Jamie L. Estes**, 18, Maryville; **Diane K. Dobrusky**, 19, Maryville; **Valerie L. Wulff**, 19, Maryville; **Elizabeth A. Hon**, 19, Maryville; **April S. Whorton**, 19, Maryville; **Stuart J. Kemper**, 20, Maryville, MIP, 300 block North Main.

■ **Michael S. Mora**, 21, Maryville, indecent exposure, 200 block West Fifth.

March 17

■ **Brett L. Killin**, 33, Craig, Mo., leaving the scene of an accident, driving while intoxicated, **George E. Harvey**, 18, Graham, Mo., Fourth and Main.

■ **Justin S. Vaden**, 21, Maryville, indecent exposure, wanted on warrant, 400 block West Fourth.

■ Larceny from vehicle, purse and contents, 600 block Katy Drive.

■ Larceny from vehicle, car stereo, various CDs, additional vehicle damage, 400 block North Charles.

■ Larceny from vehicle, Bible, various CDs, WIC checks, Ford car manual, 400 block East Davison Square.

■ Larceny from vehicle, brown wallet and contents, additional vehicle damage, 1100 College Drive.

■ **Dustin L. Hill**, 20, Leon, Iowa, MIP, First and Munn.

■ **Kenneth D. Clem**, 19, Maryville, MIP, 400 block North Buchanan.

■ **Gary N. Baumli**, 66, Maryville, collided with **Tyson D. Smith**, 20, Leon, Iowa, First and Munn.

■ **Leslie J. Bowman**, 51, Maryville, collided with **David Arnold**, Fourth and Main. Bowman cited for Careless and Imprudent driving.

■ Stolen vehicle, 1993 White Chevy 2500 truck, 600 block East Fifth.

■ **Max C. Mushi**, 33, Maryville, third degree assault, Seventh and Walnut.

■ **Braden T. West**, 23, St. Joseph, Mo., resisting arrest by flight, open container in vehicle, failure to comply, littering, destruction of evidence, 300 block North Market.

March 18

■ **Robert P. Gurnett**, 21, Omaha, Neb., equipment violation, driving while intoxicated, 1000 South Munn.

■ **Nathan S. Nenneman**, 21, Maryville, failure to maintain right half of roadway, driving while intoxicated, 1200 block North Mulberry.

■ **Jeffrey S. Meyer**, 23, Maryville, possession of 35 grams or less of Marijuana, 1300 block North Mulberry.

■ Larceny from Vehicle, CB radio, microphone, ratchet, socket, 1500 block South Main.

■ Disorderly conduct, mailbox knocked over, 1200 block West Sixteenth.

■ Larceny from vehicle, car stereo, 100 block North Charles.

March 19

■ **Steven M. Phillips**, 36, Maryville, cited for failure to maintain financial responsibility and driving while suspended.

March 20

■ Disorderly conduct, ongoing investigation, 300 East Thompson.

■ **James W. Erckenbrack**, 60, Graham, Mo., driving while intoxicated, failure to yield, no valid driver's license, 400 block North Laura.

■ **Richard M. Groves**, 35, Maryville, contempt of court, Pine Ridge Trl Ct.

■ **James W. Erckenbrack**, 60, Graham, Mo., collided with Jessica L. Johnson, 18, Maitland, Mo., Fourth and Laura.

■ **Matthew N. Kiefer**, 20, Maryville, leaving the scene of an accident, driving while intoxicated, felony tampering, **Kathleen M. Burns**, Baldwin, Mo., Fourth and Mulberry.

March 21

■ **Galen J. McCrary**, Maryville, failure to appear, 200 block East Third.

March 22

■ Larceny/Stealing, **Michael J. Ebrecht**, 17, Maryville, referred to juvenile office, 1500 block South Munn.

March 23

■ **Zachary G. Edwards**, 22, Maryville, driving while intoxicated, no valid drivers license, 1100 block North Main.

■ **Holly M. Conley**, 22, Maryville, careless and imprudent driving, **Sheila R. Ferguson**, 22, Maryville, driving while revoked, South Avenue and Main.

■ **Ralph E. Smith**, 78, Parnell, Mo., collided with **Jacquelin K. Swyers**, Clarinda, Iowa, 2000 block South Main.

■ Towed vehicle, gray 1994 Corsica, 200 block West Eighth.

March 24

■ Larceny/Stealing, car stereo, 2600 block Main.

■ **Carl T.J. Hendren**, 25, Stanberry, Mo., failure to appear, Liberty, Mo.

■ Vehicle damage, 1600 block South Main.

March 25

■ Hit and run, ongoing investigation, Beal Park.

■ Assault, referred to juvenile office, 300 block South Fredrick.

■ **Hannah E. Wallace**, 16, Maryville, collided with **Jenny L. Peace**, 26, Princeton, Mo., Thompson and Main. Wallace cited for careless and imprudent driving.

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MUNICIPAL COURT

Feb 28

Speeding

■ **Nathan W. Boeck**, Maryville, \$97.50

■ **David R. Danron**, Red Bluff, Calif., \$92.50

■ **Dylan G. Valone**, Maryville, \$56.50

Stop sign/light

■ **Mikayla S. Bowlin**, Tarkio, Mo., \$595.50

■ **Gerit F. Hane**, Maryville, \$97.50

Improper registration

■ **Ivy K. Boker**, Maryville, \$72.50

■ **Richard M. Groves**, Maryville, \$472.50

■ **Nicole H. Maughan**, Maryville, \$72.50

■ **Michael J. Vineyard**, Kansas City, Mo., \$50

School Bus stop sign

■ **Benjamin D. DeMott**, Maryville, \$322.50

Defective equipment

■ **Alicia L. Livengood**, Maryville, \$260.50

Improper turn

■ **Jason D. Perdue**, Maryville, \$595

Open container of alcohol in vehicle

■ **Jason D. Perdue**, Maryville \$100

■ **Tamara A. Jinanex**, Maryville, \$122.50

No valid operator license

■ **Christopher L. Pitts**, Maryville, \$297.50

■ **Michael J. Vineyard**, Kansas City, Mo., \$272.50

■ **Christopher B. Labow**, Maryville, \$72.50

Careless and imprudent driving

■ **Kristine L. Russell**, Maryville, \$97.50

Minor in possession of alcohol

■ **Nathaniel P. Ebel**, Maryville, \$200

Failure to comply

■ **Austin L. Rolf**, Maryville, \$272.50

Disorderly conduct

■ **Nathaniel P. Ebel**, Maryville, \$122.50

Possession of fictitious license

■ **Nathaniel P. Ebel**, Maryville, \$200

Failure to appear

■ **David R. Danron**, Red Bluff, Calif., \$97.50

SHERIFF REPORT

Feb. 27

■ **Jenilee Wilson**, 20, Ravenwood, was arrested, Jan. 22, on a Nodaway County warrant for failure to appear.

■ **Wendy R. Mooney**, 23, Hopkins, was arrested, Feb. 5, for driving while intoxicated. She was released on summons after being held the

mandatory detox.

■ **A Hopkins**, Mo., subject reported a theft from her residence Feb. 7.

■ **Wesley G. Parker, Jr.**, 22, Maryville, was arrested Feb. 8, on a Noaway County warrant for failure to appear.

■ A Maryville subject reported property damage at his business, Feb. 10.

■ **Todd J. McClain**, 32, Maryville, was arrested, Feb. 10, on a Nodaway County warrant for possession of a controlled substance.

■ A Maryville subject reported he had been assaulted, Feb. 12.

■ A Maryville subject reported a theft from his farm, Feb. 14.

■ **Jason S. Coulter**, 25, Ravenwood, was arrested Feb. 16, on a Nodaway County warrant for possession of a controlled substance.

■ A Maryville subject reported a theft from his vehicle on Feb. 18.

■ A Pickering, Mo., subject reported fraudulent use of a credit card Feb. 17.

■ **Tasha L. Carter**, 24, Maryville, was arrested Feb. 20, on a Nodaway County warrant for probation violation.

■ Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in Maryville Feb. 19. No arrests were made.

■ A Skidmore, Mo., subject reported a theft from his farm Feb. 12.

■ Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in Conception Junction, Mo., Feb. 19.

■ **James D. Gabbert**, 29, Maryville, was arrested Feb. 22, on a Nodaway County warrant for driving while revoked.

■ **Max L. James**, 41, Osceola, Iowa, was arrested Feb. 23, on a Nodaway County warrant for probation violation.

■ A Burlington Junction, Mo., subject reported property damage in Burlington Junction, Feb. 23.

■ **John J. Horn**, 18, Maryville, was arrested Feb. 24, for littering and person under 21 years of age possessed intoxicating beverage. He was released on summonses.

■ A Burlington Junction, Mo., subject reported someone had tampered with a motor vehicle on her property Feb. 25.

■ A Maryville subject reported damage to her mailbox March 4.

■ A Burlington Junction, Mo., subject reported a theft from his farm building Feb. 19.

■ A Maryville subject reported a theft from his farm vehicle Feb. 19.

■ A Clearmont, Mo., subject reported a burglary to a business in Clearmont.

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FIRE: Northwest completes Centennial celebration with Administration building commemoration

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from the day of the fire," Henry said. "We had to make sure the students were taken care of."

Bush recalled how this strategy took shape when, the following morning, a family showed up at the benches outside the building wanting to apply for admission.

"I went up into the building, got the paperwork, came down and we filled it all out," Bush said. "We really tried to keep it just business as usual."

Forty-eight hours after the fire, Gov. Joseph Teasdale visited campus and toured the building with University officials.

He pledged \$20,000 in emergency state funds for reconstruction planning. Any other money would have to come from the 1980 Missouri General Assembly's appropriations.

Owens and his staff faced a significant obstacle. With costs to fully restore the building estimated at more than \$15 million, they decided on an alternate approach.

Instead of rebuilding all of what was lost, the University would restore what wasn't completely destroyed and relocate the lost classroom space, University radio station and Deerwester Theatre. In early 1980, the University presented its new \$13.8 million plan in Jefferson City, Mo., and in March, the government appropriation bill in Missouri at that time.

The University greatly succeeded in Jefferson City because of the lobbying efforts of state representative and former Northwest administrator Everett

Brown and state senator Hardin Cox, Bush said.

Owens's involvement with state architects and engineers two years earlier during the construction of the Robert P. Foster Aquatic Center also helped. Designers met with legislators to convince them Northwest was worth the \$13.8 million investment.

"When you have engineers and architects saying, 'We recommend this plan Owens is proposing,' it adds an awful lot of credibility to the project," Bush said. "But it was because of (Owens's) technique of collaboration early in the ball game, years before we had the fire, that really helped us accomplish this."

Construction began immediately on a new auditorium, now the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center, and a new library, now the B.D. Owens Library.

Wells Hall, the former home of the library, was renovated to house more classrooms, offices, the radio station and student publications. The remains of the Deerwester Theatre were removed and a parking lot was built.

The Administration Building housed a number of academic apartments. But immediately after the fire, these departments had to be temporarily relocated elsewhere on campus, an extensive process requiring a lot of help. But, according to Henry, help wasn't hard to find.

"We just had to get that done," he said. "It was amazing to see the help that we got from students, townspeople, faculty and staff. Everybody wanted to come and help."

"We began to unload the Ad Building and within 48 hours we had every-

thing that was worth saving saved, put in a truck and taken to somewhere on campus. The cooperation was incredible."

Bush remembered a particular member of the Northwest staff, Wick Kinder, who reminded Bush of the significance of the volunteerism displayed that night by the faculty and staff.

"We were in the midst of the fire, around 10 or 11 p.m., and all the staff was helping," Bush said. "I'll never forget saying something to (fellow staff member) Max Hargis, 'Max, be sure to keep track of everybody for overtime.' Kinder said, 'Bob, that is not what's important."

"Our University is burning down.' It just goes to show how much heart and soul they put in that night."

On April 4, Northwest will celebrate its rebirth after the fire with a ceremony commemorating the Administration Building and ending its yearlong Centennial Celebration.

Owens will be on hand to give the keynote address, titled "Our Heritage Remembered," and other members of the Northwest campus affected by the fire will be available to the public to share their experiences.

"It's a good ceremony. It's important to reflect on our history. It helps define who we are," current Northwest president Dean Hubbard said. "Continuity is a major determinant of one's self image."

"Our identity is bound up in continuity even as our relevance is bound up in change. We have to avoid just trying to not change anything, but on the other hand we need to reflect on who we are and how we got here."

DEMOCRAT: Shettles believes voters want change

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help her connect with the voters of district 6.

Shettles is frustrated with a lot of things the Bush Administration has done the last five years.

She believes the place to start is in education. She said education is the future of America and not enough resources are being put into education but more mandates are being forces upon educators, like "No Child Left Behind."

"I don't support unfunded mandates," Shettles said. "A lot of provisions it calls for can not be applied."

Shettles also believes teachers need to be better educated themselves and are lacking the necessary resources.

"Every teacher I know is out a considerable amount of money each month just because they can't stand to see their students do without," Shettles said.

Shettles thinks Congress needs to put on the brakes a little bit when it comes to issues dealing with the war on terrorism and the war in Iraq.

She believes the Patriot

Act was formed under a sense of panic and fear after America was attacked on 9-11. Making it a permanent fixture would be a mistake for generations to come according to her.

Shettles said this administration rushed into the Iraq war without even thinking about the consequences.

"It was not a mystery that our efforts could result in a civil war," Shettles said. "Folks have known that for years."

She also said an immediate withdrawal from Iraq would not be fair to the Iraqi people, but America may not have a choice eventually.

Shettles believes we do have a choice when it comes to protecting our resources at home. She said in the late 70s alternative fuel research was on the rise but within months of Ronald Reagan taking office all of the research was swept away.

She said we need less tax breaks for oil companies and more money for research.

Late Tuesday another grandmother filed on the Democratic ticket as well. Opal Dockery of Lamar, Mo., has thrown her name in. Efforts to contact her were unsuccessful.

LIBERTARIAN: Buck, voters see eye to eye on Iraq issue

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Buck said he doesn't expect to upset Graves but hopes he opens some voter's eyes and Graves'.

He said back in 2002, in his first bid for the congressional seat, he was in the minority over invading Iraq.

"Nobody took me seriously," Buck said. "Now about half of the voters agree with me."

Buck said in the last presidential election both John Kerry and George W. Bush supported invading Iraq. He said the principles that Bush used to invade Iraq were the same principles the Japanese went by when they bombed Pearl Harbor. He believes the day we bombed Baghdad should be a day of infamy just like Pearl Harbor.

Buck also believes the war on terrorism is ridiculous. He believes that Congress was asleep at the wheel when they passed the first Patriot Act and thinks they still have not woken up.

He said the Act is based on fear, fear that has been fostered by the Bush Administration.

"It's an abomination," Buck said. "The Congressman who voted for it ought to be impeached for violating their oath of office to preserve the constitution."

Buck also believes government should stay out of the way of scientist and energy companies trying to develop alternative fuels.

"We've been playing games with energy," Buck said. "Whatever government touches turns to fecal matter and government science is an

oxy-moron. The government just ought to stand clear of the energy business."

He also said government needs to stay out of education and believes the farther away from the classroom decisions are made, the more detached students become.

Buck supports anything that brings more variety to education and is in favor of charter schools and vouchers. He said that decisions should be made at the school level and kids learn at different paces. He also said the No Child Left Behind program is a disaster.

"One size fits all doesn't apply," Buck said. "The department of Education doesn't educate anybody. Schools in general need to be more flexible and more tailored to the students individual needs."

Buck is also astounded by the way the government has let the deficit grow. He said the government just keeps printing money while the value of the dollar continues to fall.

He pointed out that last year was the first time since the depression that net savings in America was in the negative, meaning people overall spent more money than they made.

Buck said it is an uphill battle with this current administration and legislative body. He believes that people who really want to fix the problem is what America needs.

"You can't have capitalism without savings and we're not saving," Buck said. "The country is going down the tubes and Congress has been absolutely irresponsible."

'BAMA: Students take advantage of Alternative Spring Break

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Habitat for Humanity, the trip stands out as remarkable.

For some of them, many freshmen, the trip was their first taste of a philanthropic endeavor. A letter writing campaign, selling Pizza Hut discount cards and a contribution of \$200 per volunteer, helped make the trip a reality.

Habitat for Humanity, a nonprofit Christian housing ministry, helped more than 1 million people finance homes built through volunteered time and donated supplies.

No-interest rate loans help make the monthly mortgage payments more bearable for low-income families.

The new homeowners also have to invest 300 to 500 hours of "sweat equity"—an investment of energy and time—into building their Habitat house.

Volunteers spent Monday in Atlanta touring Coca Cola World, CNN Studios and Underground Atlanta, an entertainment district that was once a stop on the Underground Railroad.

Upon arriving at the work sites Tuesday, volunteers split up into two work groups on two homes helping put up walls, building porches and sheds and erecting trusses for the foundation of the roof. Sawing, measuring, hammering, nailing—each person tried their hand at the various tasks.

Even the bus drivers lent

a hand.

When they pulled up in front of the house many wondered what they got themselves into. Recently built Habitat and newer houses speckled the impoverished street they were to help construct houses on from 8 a.m. to approximately 3:30 p.m. each day.

"I don't know if you could find a Maryville neighborhood like this," Meinen said.

But Meinen never felt unsafe. The friendliness of the people in the area squashed any nervousness the sight of the area evoked.

While the group is proud of what they accomplished, Jaime Eickhoff, assistant coordinator of volunteer services and Northwest junior,

wishes more students participated. A third house could have been completed with additional volunteers.

The thought of traveling to Alabama with only knowing a few people first made some of the volunteers nervous. But by the end of the trip each had made tons of friends and even had nicknames for each other.

Although one family couldn't make it to the work site while the group was there, the other group got to work alongside the future homeowner.

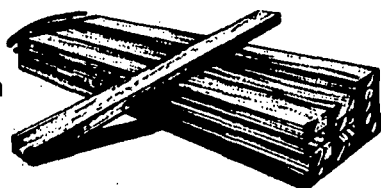
Alternative Spring Break is in its second year at Northwest. Last year 39 students traveled to Winter Park, Fla., to assist 100 inner-city children with social and educational enrichment programs.

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The evolution of Centennial landmarks

Bobby Bearcat

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Since the late 1960s, Bobby Bearcat has become a fixture of Northwest and an enduring symbol of school pride.

Bobby's last name originated in 1916, when Drury coach Dan Knee asked Normal school coach Walter Henson if his "fighting bearcats" were ready for the big game. Shortly after that the students adopted "Bearcat" as the mascot of the school.

Nine years later, the Dennison Manufacturing Company of Massachusetts drew the first picture of Bobby Bearcat.

In the late 60s Vinnie Vaccaro made school history when he became the first man to don the suit.

"I knew a lot of the cheerleaders," he said. "At that time, our football team wasn't what it is today and our basketball team was so-so, so they decided it was time to have a mascot, and so I became Bobby Bearcat."

The helmet for the first suit weighed 10 to 12 lbs and was constructed with fiberglass. Vaccaro said he has a lot of great memories from being Bobby Bearcat.

"One time, the tail on my suit was at least a yard and a half. This kid was tugging on my tail and I told him 'Hey Bobby doesn't want you to do that,' and the kid kept doing it, so I said a few choice words to tell him to stop. The kid went crying to his Dad who at the time was the Dean of Men."

Vaccaro said at the time he was worried he was going to be expelled for his comment but ironically the young man grew up to become Bobby Bearcat.

Today the current Bobby Bearcat is in his fourth year. In his time, Bobby has changed his overall look and made history.

He became the first Northwest mascot to earn National Cheerleading Association All-America honors, earning the honor in 2004 and 2005.

In a collection of mascots in all divisions, Bobby was ranked No. 10 in the nation in 2004 and No. 6 in 2005.

Bobby said that when the time is over, the next Bobby will start from scratch and etch out their own legacy and then pass it on to the next.

By Sean Comer
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As Northwest's yearlong centennial celebration draws to its close, three new features have given the campus something of a facelift.

Students who come and go across the central part of campus can't miss the statue of two bronze figures sitting at opposite ends of a bench. Created by Gregory Johnson and donated as a private gift from the Centennial Society, the sculpture depicts a young woman with a laptop seated at one end and a gentleman from the era of Northwest's inception with book in hand.

Currently, the bronze figures show scattered blue splotches due to oxidation, according to Associate Director of Environmental Services Lezlee Johnson. Once the temperature rises, the Maryville White Sox youth baseball team will apply a total of four coats of wax to the bronze figures throughout the warmer part of the year, in exchange for a donation from the University.

According to project coordinator Sydney Weybrew, the Centennial Garden will display an array of conifers, shrubs and grasses in the area once known as "The Quads" in the location of Northwest's original residence halls. A central fountain and landscaping stones bearing the names of the original residence halls and their namesakes augment the arrangement originally conceived by Northwest alumnus B.J. Snopek.

The final design stayed fairly true to Snopek's vision. "He (Snopek) lived in these halls and liked to play football out in the big area," Wey-



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brew said. "He wanted the fire pit—that was his idea; we took a long meandering creek and changed that to the fountain so that it could be used without being destroyed."

Weybrew anticipates upkeep becoming easier through the years. Currently, he can only anticipate and improve on the time it will take to shut down and restart the water in the fountain yearly, until procedures for maintaining the pumps becomes more clear through usage.

Like the Centennial Garden, Northwest's maintenance-and-repairs fund made the new pavilion at College Park a reality at a price tag of \$853,000.

The new pavilion includes

public restrooms, a sheltered seating area, a public address system and lighting and may become the new venue for tailgating events at Bearcat sports events. According to construction supervisor David Duvall, the pavilion could also become home to outdoor theater and concert events during the warmer part of the year.

"It (the pavilion) allows you to do some things where the venue may not fit, like some music where you would want to be a little more raucous, but the seats would get in the way," Duvall said. "It's a different performance base where you can pretty well rock and roll, and not worry about bouncing on the seats."

Throughout the years at Northwest

1874
■ Jan. 9: The first bill to create a Normal School for northwest Missouri is introduced in the General Assembly.

1905
■ Sept. 12: The first meeting of the Board of Regents.

1906
■ June 11: The first student, Eliza Munn, is enrolled.

1907
■ Sept. 16: A Normal School football practice is organized.

1911
■ July 10: City water is cut off from the Normal School. The school uses water from a well west of the building (people are forbidden from watering horses at that well).

1912
■ Jan. 15: Classes are canceled (school is out of coal).

1914
■ March 18: Board of Regents forbids fraternities or sororities to be formed on campus and that existing groups be dissolved.

1915
■ Oct. 22: First Walkout Day.

1916
■ January: A Drury basketball coach gives the school's athletic teams the nickname "Bearcats."

1917
■ June 6: The first degree class graduates, and for the first time, caps and gowns are worn at commencement.

1918
■ Jan. 9: The Stroller makes its first appearance in The Green and White Courier.

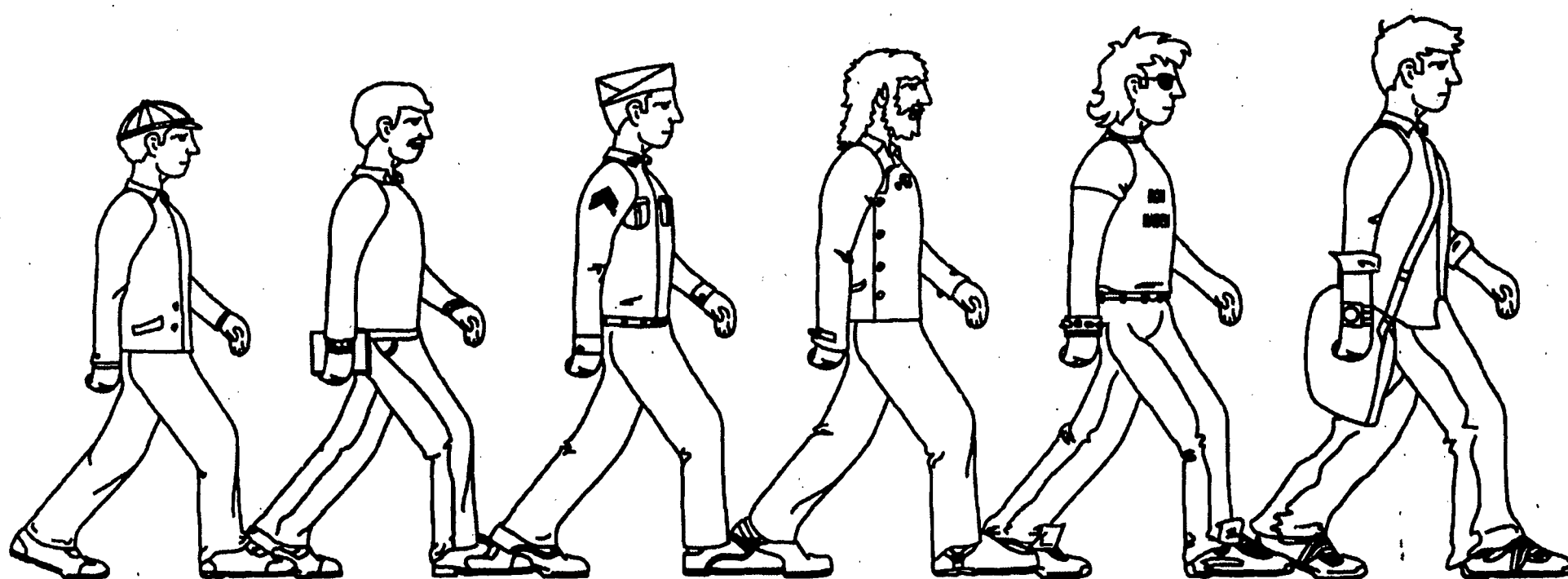
1919
■ March 15: A tornado strikes the Administration Building, doing more than \$13,000 in damage.

1924
■ Oct. 10: First general Homecoming (Philomatheans had been having Homecoming for years).



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MEMBERS FROM the Rumbles band perform after the live auction at the Centennial Gala event held on March 18th. (left) **VIRGINIA MCNAIR** poses in her new Jeep she won at the Centennial Gala. There was a total of three possible vehicles that could be won including a Harley Davidson Motorcycle and a car. (right) **NORTHWEST FRIENDS** and family look at items on tables during one of two silent auctions.



Northwest's Centennial celebration comes to a close; raises more than \$48,000 for American Dream Grant

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Red carpet, a live band, fireworks, live and silent auctions and a vehicle giveaway all highlighted a night to honor the end of Northwest's Centennial year.

The University's Centennial Gala, held Saturday, March 18, at the Maryville Community Center raised more than \$48,000 for the American Dream Grant Program. The program provides grant recipients with tuition, room, board, books and the use of a computer. In order to qualify for the grant, students must be first-time freshmen from families with yearly incomes less than or equal to \$30,000.

During the program officials from the Northwest Foundation, Inc., announced the final gift for the University's Campaign for Northwest at a total of \$43.5 million, raising more than twice its original goal of \$21 million. Vice President of University Advancement Orrie Covert said he couldn't be happier with the overall outcome of the campaign.

"It's just great the amount of support we've had," Covert said.

Covert also said the campaign finished of the \$43.5 million raised, \$19 million will go to fund scholarships to the University.

"It was a great way to celebrate the conclusion of our first-ever capital campaign and our centennial year," Covert said in a press release.

The gifts also funded the Centennial sculpture, Centennial musical composition, Centennial grant projects, wooden display cases and Janice Brandon-Falcone's illustrated history of the University, "Transitions: A Hundred Years of Northwest."

Virginia McNair of Maryville won the vehicle giveaway drawing, entitling her to a choice of a Harley Davidson motorcycle, Ford Fusion sedan or Jeep Wrangler.

The 200 attendees were treated to music by flutist and assistant professor of music Rebecca Dunnell and The Rumbles and also received complimentary formal portraits.

Co-chairmen of the Centennial celebration Don Beeson, of Des Moines, Iowa, thanked all those who helped make the event possible and group members for their support of the Centennial Scholarship Fund.

"Much that has been enjoyed will fade into memories to be recalled in future celebrations," Beeson said in a press release. "But to the centennial contributors there is a final legacy we leave, and that is the Centennial Scholarship Fund, which should represent almost \$100,000 to assist those 21st-century students who will share the campus community you have left your own footprints on so generously as society members and campaign contributors."



Throughout the years at Northwest

1941
■ Dec. 8: Special assembly to hear a broadcast of President Roosevelt's speech to Congress asking for a declaration of war.

1951
■ April 28: Residence Hall is wrecked and girls are injured by a gas tank explosion. Roberta Steel, a victim of the explosion, dies the following year.

1957
■ May: The first master's degrees are conferred.

1959
■ December: The first basketball game is played in Lamkin Gymnasium.

1960
■ KZLX goes on the air.

1964
■ April: Student food riots bring out the national Guard after Highway 71 is blocked for hours by protesting students.

1966
■ Bobby Bearcat appears at games.

1969
■ Gymnastics becomes the first women's intercollegiate sport at Northwest.

1979
■ July 24: The Administration Building fire devastates the campus's central building.

1984
■ February: Bobby Bearcat is attacked by Central Missouri State University fans at a basketball game.

1988
■ Nov. 17: After Shalia Aery, commissioner of higher education, suggests closing Northwest, Missouri State Sen. Pat Danner says, "Read my lips: Northwest Missouri State University will not close." Aery eventually drops her plan.

1997
■ April: Heavy snowfall cancels classes.

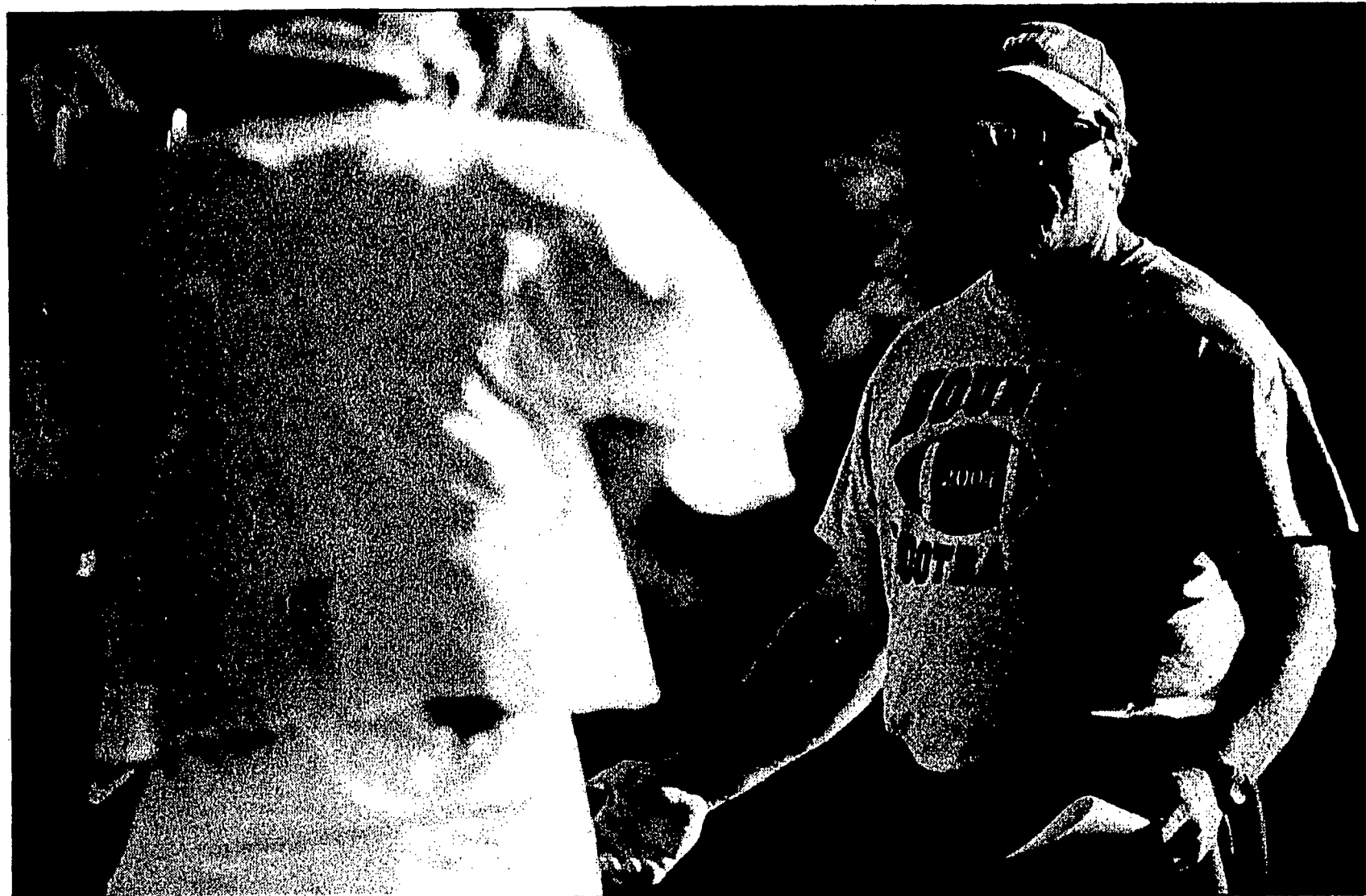
1998
■ December: NCAA Division II football championship.

1999
■ Dec. 11: Second NCAA Division II championship. (double overtime against The University of Carson-Newman).

2003
■ September: Northwest receives the largest gift in its history, \$10 million from an anonymous donor.

2004
■ Feb. 27: Safe Ride Home program begins, offering free after-hours transportation for Northwest students.

All roads lead to home



PAUL MILLER leaves a Maryville football program after just two years at the helm. Miller compiled a 11-10 record with the 'Hounds.

Coach shows interest in DI job

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Yes, Steve Tappmeyer graduated from Southeast Missouri State University.

Yes, he earned honorable mention all-conference honors during the 1977-1978 seasons while he played at SEMO.



Steve Tappmeyer
Northwest basketball coach

And yes, SEMO currently has a head basketball coach position open and Tappmeyer's name has popped up.

But no, the Northwest men's basketball coach hasn't packed his bags for Cape Girardeau yet.

"I think it's come across like (people) think I'm leaving tomorrow," Tappmeyer said. "It's not a done deal; it's not by any means a done deal."

When Division I school SEMO announced March 1 that they wouldn't be extending coach Gary Garner's contract for the 2006-2007 season, Tappmeyer's name came up.

"Having played there, with the job itself I would be lying if I didn't say there wasn't an interest level," Tappmeyer said.

Tappmeyer graduated from SEMO in 1980 from nearby Gerald, Mo. However, Tappmeyer hasn't been handed the job, though he has gotten much publicity over the past couple weeks from local media.

"Some people just think we're leaving tomorrow," Tappmeyer said. "(SEMO) is on probably a two-week time frame now to do the job."

SEMO is a member of the Ohio Valley Conference, and formerly a member of the MIAA. It is a program that in the 1999-2000 season went 24-7, won a share of the conference, won the conference tournament and appeared in the NCAA tournament. But since then they have fallen back as last year they came off a 7-20

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Miller's decision to leave 'Hounds was driven by the right reasons

Sitting in Paul Miller's office on Monday afternoon listening to him talk about why he had decided to leave Maryville, one could not help but feel like Maryville is truly losing a great coach and a great man.

Miller announced almost two weeks ago that he would not be returning as Maryville's head football coach, but what was not clear was why he had decided not to return.

Many people would look at his team's record from this past season of 2-7 and say that he was heading out because the program was struggling. Others look to some confrontations between Miller and parents over playing time and discipline as a possible reason, but listening to Miller talk about his decision it was easy to see that football had nothing to do with it.

Off the Hook



Brendan Kelley
Asst. Sports Editor

So many times I have heard people talk about certain players or coaches and how they are stuck up or all they care about is the game. Miller has never been that type of person. While he may be very intense on the sideline, football is not what he is all about.

During an interview he once said: "People see me as a football coach and I am, but really what I'm doing is teaching kids about life through football."

Miller truly believes that there is no better tool to teach someone about life than football, that's what makes all this so tough. Miller never intended to exit in this way. Then, again, I guess that everyone dreams of immaculate endings where the coach leaves after

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Maryville football coach ends short tenure due to personal reasons

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There comes a time in just about everyone's life when they look at themselves and the world and ask the question, what really matters?

People can go through their whole lives and never figure out exactly what really matters, others, however, find what it is and dedicate themselves to pursuing it.

Unfortunately, sometimes one must make a decision that is going to affect others, so that they can follow what it is that truly matters to them.

Paul Miller announced he would not be returning as the head coach of the Maryville Spoofoound football team March 15 at the school board meeting. It was a decision most people in Maryville did not see coming, but it was a decision that he had to make.

"It's a family decision. Every move we've made has been based around what's best for our family. Moving

here was a family decision and I guess our responsibilities have changed," Miller said. "My wife has family out there (Wyoming) and her mother just moved out west. Our oldest son is a sophomore and we felt like if we were going to make a move we had to make it now. We didn't want to wait until he was a senior and then move him his senior year."

Miller admits that when he and his family moved to Maryville from Wyoming in the summer of 2004, he knew that it probably would not be for a long period of time. He did expect it to be for longer than two years though and he always left the door open for the option that it could be for an extended period of time.

"We didn't ever expect this to be forever, but the thought was in the back of our minds that this might be. Originally we thought we'd get our kids through school here and then retire

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Softball continues hot streak

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The Northwest softball team was firing on all cylinders as they swept Rockhurst and split with Missouri Western, notching three shutouts in the process.

Led by a power surge at the plate and a pair of pitchers throwing underhanded smoke on the mound, the Bearcats bested Rockhurst twice and Western once. It marked the 'Cats 12th win in their last 13 games.

Head coach Susan Anderson was especially pleased with the effort her pitchers have given recently.

"The recent winning trend is definitely due to our pitching. We're really getting great performances from our pitchers," Anderson said.

In Tuesday's action, the Bearcats split a doubleheader with Western. Current MIAA pitcher of the week freshman Cola Krueger made sure the Griffons didn't get past third base while junior catcher Sarah Johnson also blasted her first homer of the season en route to a 4-0 victory. The victory was head coach Anderson's 100th at Northwest.

"You know I didn't even know about it until (Sports Information Director) Chad Waller told me about it before the game and I said if you jinx me you're gonna be in trouble," Anderson said. "But all the credit goes to the players that we've had in this program and how they've put things together and come away with all the W's."

The jinx was all too real in the second game as a key Northwest error in the third inning sparked a Western rally which eventually proved too much to overcome for the Bearcats. Junior centerfielder Lindsey Stephenson hammered two home runs in the 8-5 loss however. The loss



TRISTIN BROWN reacts after she strikes out by Missouri Western's catcher Tuesday. Northwest has won 12 of their last 13 games.

snapped the 'Cats' 10-game winning streak, which was the school's longest since 1976.

Wednesday, against Rockhurst, the 'Cats came out swinging early, putting up four runs before the Lady Hawks could even blink. Senior Katy John started the game with a single, then Stephenson drove her in with a double to the wall. Reigning MIAA player of the week Ashley Pride dropped down a bunt to score Stephenson, and scored herself when Johnson hammered the ball over the leftfield fence.

When the smoke cleared the score was 4-0 after the first inning giving Krueger plenty of run support as she tossed a one-hit shutout to improve her record to 5-1. The game ended in six innings with the final score of 8-0.

The 'Cats won the second game 3-0. The team will play Minnesota-Duluth at 11 a.m. Saturday in the Nebraska-Omaha tournament.

Baseball splits, ends losing skid

Despite win, 'Cats drop sixth out of last seven games

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The Northwest baseball team ended a five-game skid with a 4-2 win over conference rival Missouri Western University. Northwest lost the second game 5-4, Wednesday at Bearcat Field.

On Saturday the Griffons handed the Bearcats a two-game sweep in St. Joseph, Mo. The 'Cats sought revenge by staying loose and keeping things fun before the game.

Northwest catcher Ryley Westman described Tuesday's practice as relaxed but keeping the game in mind.

The 'Cats put out a different lineup in the first game not to change things up, but to accommodate for injuries.

"We made some minor changes in there (lineup). For one thing we got Matt Coons is struggling with a bad back right now so he had to come out of the top of the lineup so

we just kind of bumped everyone else up," Northwest coach Darin Loe said. "We tried to get the hottest bats in the RBI slots and I think up and down our order we did a nice job."

With the injury to Coons, the spot in left-field as given to Billy Burns, who has seen limited action thus far.

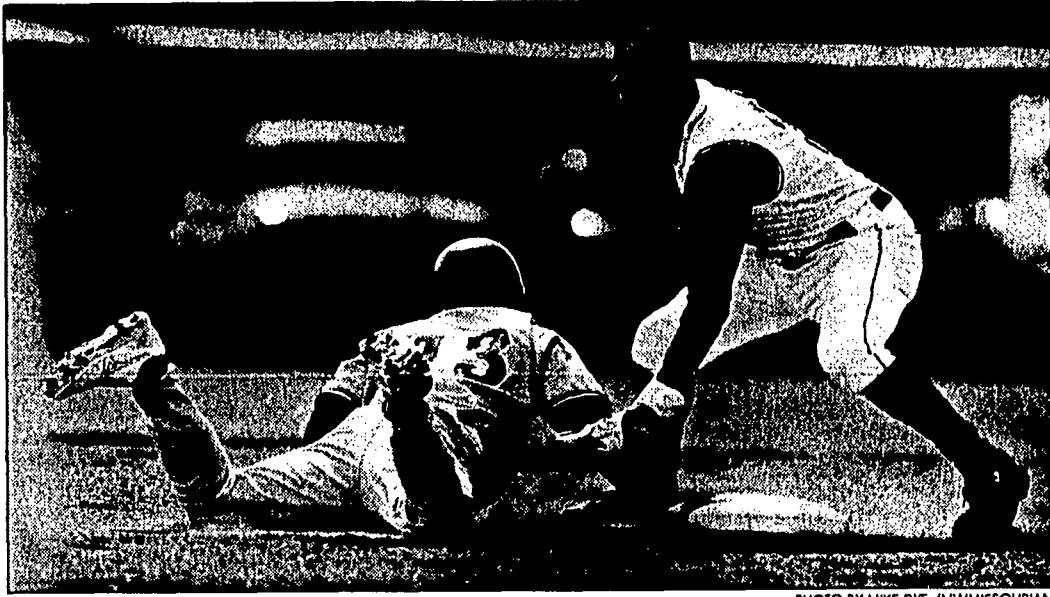
Burns took advantage of his opportunity early in the game driving a two RBI single to right field. An error on the play allowed another run to score and Burns to take third base. He scored on a sacrifice fly by Pat Whitt to make the score 4-1.

Even with limited action, he was able to use what he had to make something big.

"I feel like I'm seeing the ball a lot better than I did earlier in the season," Burns said. "I was a little bit out on my front foot on my first hit, I just went to right field and (the ball) went under his legs and we made something happen."

The 'Cats hung on for a 4-2 win that was aided by consistent pitching that included Mark Lewis and Brett Whittle.

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NORTHWEST'S PAT WHITT bobbles the ball as a Missouri Western player reaches second base safely Wednesday at Bearcat Field. Northwest won the first game of the doubleheader but lost the second.

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relievers kept us in the ball game and gave us an opportunity to win."

The second game, Northwest got some great hitting out of Westman who went 4-4 with four singles in the

game.

He attributes that to staying after practice and working with his teammates.

"Being down where I'm at, I see a lot more fastballs, a lot more straight stuff," Westman said.

His contribution wouldn't

be suffice as the Griffons handed the 'Cats a 5-4 loss in a fairly uneventful game.

Northwest plays the University of Nebraska-Omaha, a team they split with earlier this year.

Game time is noon Friday in Omaha, Neb.

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since then they have fallen back as last year they came off a 7-20 campaign. The school announced Garner's firing on March 1, after Garner had been there nine seasons.

It is the type of program that Tappmeyer would like to help rebuild.

"There's part of me that says we would like to do what we've done here somewhere else and make it work again," Tappmeyer said. "Putting a program together, not just a team, but putting a program together. But you just have to watch out for your family and yourself and it's financially it would be a good deal as well as a challenge and going back somewhere where you played and trying to do that there."

Besides being a SEMO alum, has Tappmeyer also has an impressive resume. Tappmeyer cur-

rently is the all-time winningest men's basketball coach in Northwest's history. He has a record of 348-178 after just wrapping up his 18th year as a head coach. Tappmeyer also helped put the basketball program on the map as the Bearcats have been to three Sweet Sixteens in the past five years, advancing to the Elite Eight twice.

Tappmeyer will be meeting with SEMO officials this weekend about the job at the Final Four in Indianapolis. After the Final Four weekend SEMO is expected to narrow down its finalists.

Tappmeyer is not the only one interested in the job, either. Some of the candidates for the job as reported by the *Southeast Missourian* include former Kansas State coach Jim Wooldridge, who was just recently terminated. Former Mississippi coach Rod Barnes, former Rutgers coach Gary Waters, Furman coach Larry Davis and Tennessee assistant Scott Edgar all have shown interest.

Redshirt, freshmen lead the way at heptathlon

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It's hard to tell that Brandi Honeywell is redshirting.

Because with the way she's been performing for the Northwest women's track team this season, she could be competing collegiately.

Honeywell finished second in the heptathlon at the Northwest Centennial Multi-Events Sunday and Monday at Herschel Neil Track. Honeywell is competing unattached, which means when she competes she is performing for herself, not Northwest.

"Having this year (off) I feel like I am catching up and can come back stronger next year, even though this year seems like it is going pretty well so far," Honeywell said.

She said one the reasons for her success this year is that she has someone to compete alongside in the heptathlon—unlike last year when it was just her.

Freshmen teammates Emily Churchman, Johanna Avilez and Jennifer Kiss finished third, fifth and eighth, respectively. Only 11 women competed in the field.

Four men competed in the decathlon—Northwest didn't have any participants.

It was the first time Churchman had competed in a heptathlon.

"It was nerve-wracking," Honeywell said. "... (On) the first day really no one was nervous so it was kind of a fun



BRANDI HONEYWELL, who competed unattached, participates in the long jump Monday at the Northwest Multi-Events. She finished second in the women's heptathlon with 4,282 points.

day, but the 800-meter run is the last event on the last day so it builds up."

Overall, coach Scott Lorek was very pleased in how his young squad did and said

they will only get better.

Up next for both the men's and women's teams is the Northwest Invitational on Saturday at Herschel Neil Track.

Women's tennis undefeated

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It was business as usual for the No. 40 Northwest women's tennis team as they outscored their opponents 43-8 in six matches over the week of Spring Break.

The Bearcats are now 10-0 on the season and 5-0 in the MIAA.

"We've had a couple of good wins," Northwest women's coach Mark Rosewell said. "I don't think we have played a great schedule, but still, it's good."

For her efforts, senior Gena Lindsay was named MIAA Tennis Player of the Week.

"We have a very deep team this year," Lindsay said. "Our 4 through 6 players have stepped up big in some key matches, which has been a huge advantage for us."

On March 21, Joplin was the first stop where they met up with Missouri Southern, surviving and winning 5-4.

The 'Cats won the majority of the singles matches with Gena Lindsay, freshman Emily Lindsay and freshman Lena

Gomez winning in straight sets.

In doubles, Southern won two out of three, with the only victory coming from Emily Lindsay and sophomore Carolina Amaral, who defeated Kristen Meschede and Kim McMunn, 8-4.

The three game road trip ended March 23 with a match against win less Nebraska-Kearney. The 'Cats extended their winning streak and Kearney's losing streak with a 9-0 victory.

After enduring the road, the team returned home March 24 for a match against Truman State. For the second straight game, they came away with a shutout, winning 6-0.

Each player won their singles matches in straight sets, while in doubles, freshman Jordan Lipira and junior Amanda Hardie came out on top with an 8-4 victory.

On the men's side, the No. 40 Bearcats (6-4, 2-0 MIAA) traveled to Kearney, Neb., to take on Nebraska-Kearney, ranked No. 1 in the region where they came out on top, 5-1.

"I think our guys are just

starting to come on right now," Rosewell said. "I think we got our doubles straightened out, so hopefully that's going to help."

In singles, junior Pablo Acebedo defeated Cory Ciccone in straight sets, 6-4, 7-5.

In doubles, the duo of sophomore Lucas Ariboni and senior Zach Keith defeated Nate Wiegand and Cory Ciccone, 8-6.

After finishing a game above .500 on the road, the 'Cats returned home for a match with Truman State University and defeated the Bulldogs, 5-1.

In singles, sophomore Henrique Tomaz defeated Tyler Wood in straight sets, 6-2, 6-2.

In doubles, Acebedo and junior Chris Smith defeated Wood and Ryan Cope, 8-1.

"The way we are playing currently, I think we have a very good chance of actually switching the season around completely," Smith said.

The women are back in action April 1 when they take on Minnesota-Mankato in St. Joseph, Mo., while the men and women travel together April 5 to take on Rockhurst University.



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out in the mountains," he said. "We never thought it would be a lifetime, but things have a way of changing so you never know sometimes. We came into it with the idea that we were staying here as long as we were supposed to stay."

Miller has been coaching for around 15 years and has had jobs at five different schools, but he says that there is one image that he will carry with him wherever he goes for the rest of his life.

"One of the pictures in my mind that I will never forget is Josh Wilmes coming off the field after the Platte County game and the fans had the rug completely incased like a tube. He jumped amongst all the fans and it looked like his hips were above their heads," he said. "It's like a snapshot in my head that I will remember for the rest of my life. That was one of the most rewarding experiences I've ever had as a coach."

There are many different ways to evaluate the performance of the coach. The easiest way may be to look at their won-lost record, but another way is by looking at the kids that they have coached in the past and seeing how they interact after they are through playing the game.

Miller says he usually receives three to four dozen phone calls and letters throughout the year from past players

who just want to check in and see how things are going. It appears as though in the future some of those letters may be coming from Maryville.

"On and off the field he was great. Evan (Wilmes), Myles (Burnsides) and myself are real disappointed to see him go, he was one of the best coaches to come along and I was hoping he was going to stay," freshman Northwest kick returner Syd Brisbane said. "I'm going to try and keep in contact with him and I'm sure that he'll continue to give me pointers."

While the decision to leave comes on the heels of a season in which his team went 2-7 Miller says that his team's record had nothing to do with his decision and that he has no problems with Maryville as a city.

"This season had nothing to do with my decision. We have no complaints about Maryville what so ever, it's a great town and we've enjoyed our stay here. This has been a fantastic community for our kids to grow up in," he said. "There was nothing that we didn't like about Maryville. I guess I didn't realize how much I was going to miss the mountains. I just have a longing to get back to the mountains and that type of life style."

Right now Miller is looking at four different schools, two in Wyoming and two in South Dakota, as possible can-

didates for his next stop.

He has been very careful in considering his options hoping that this move will be his last.

"Normally when I've gone and changed in the past I've looked at one school exclusively. I've decided that's the school I'm going to look at, that's the school I'm going to pursue, that's where I go," Miller said. "We want to make sure that we're going to the right place, we want to make sure that this is the last one."

Through the years, the different schools, teams and players Miller has had one goal in mind, passing on the lessons and experience the game gave him to others.

He'll continue to work towards that goal now as he prepares to leave Maryville and move back to an area where he has already been.

"I want to continue to teach kids about life through the game of football. I think that football is the best possible parallel to life that there is. You deal with adversity and you're going to find people who are better than you. You're going to play teams that are better than you, but that doesn't mean that you give up," Miller said. "You try to find a way to beat them and sometimes you'll get it done and sometimes you won't. The important thing is that I teach kids and give them the same experience that I got."

Soarin' Eagles

Jefferson ends dream season 32-0 as champs

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Jefferson's boys' basketball player Doug Archer is 6'5" tall and weighs in at 170 lbs—and is the tallest Eagle by at least three inches.

Bell City's Will Bogan is 6'10" and weighs in just shy of 300 lbs gave a verbal commitment to play at national powerhouse Memphis.

The tall task was a familiar situation for the Eagles to be in. North Shelby's Cody Stoneburner torched the Eagles in the 2005 title game scoring 33 points in a game Jefferson dropped.

"Somehow, we always find 6'10" guys to guard," Jefferson coach Tim Jermain said. "I guess it wasn't something we haven't seen before."

Jefferson defeated Bell City 74-61 in the Class 1 basketball championship March 18, at Mizzou Arena in Columbia, Mo., ending their season at a perfect 32-0.

"These guys have been together for a long time, and they put a lot of hours and time in," Jermain said. "They're such an unselfish bunch that I'm just really happy that they had a chance to accomplish a goal that they set."

The victory wasn't as easy as the 13-point win might indicate.

Midway through the fourth quarter, Jefferson trailed 57-56, before senior Jared Dowis unloaded a pair of three-pointers that gave the Eagles a lead that would last.

"Coach talked to me about having confidence in my shot, don't get down," said Dowis, a transfer from Maryville. "Matt (Jenkins) found me open and I knocked them down."

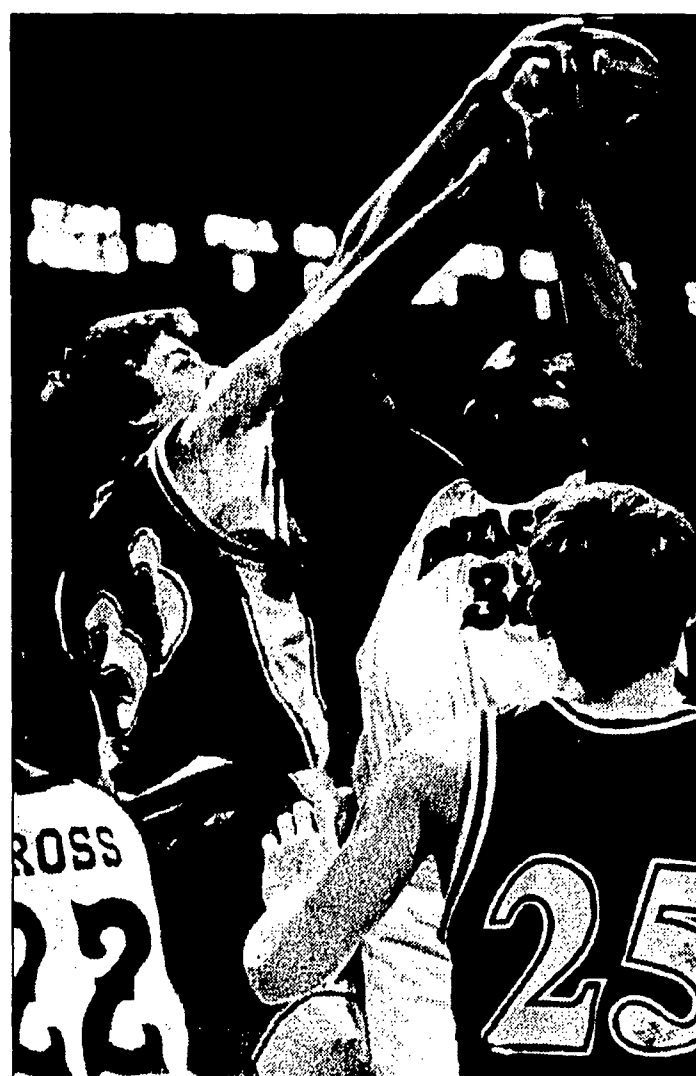


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JEFFERSON'S DOUG ARCHER blocks Bell City's Will Bogan during the Class 1 boys basketball state championship. Jefferson won to finish the season a perfect 32-0.

The title is the second for the boys' program. Their first title came in 2000.

The biggest challenge for Jefferson came in stopping Bogan. While the center scored 21 points and grabbed 17 rebounds, he was made almost useless in the halfcourt set.

"They did a pretty good job pushing him out of the blocks a little bit," Bell City coach Brian Brandtner said. "When he put the ball down on the floor they did a good job of digging at it. When he put the ball up they did a good job of getting contact. They forced him into a lot of tough shots."

The smaller Archer also blocked Bogan three times.

Once the Eagles took the lead, they put the game out of reach. As a team, Jefferson shot 30-of-40 from the line, including a 10-13 performance by reserve Todd Mattson who finished the game with 12 points.

"Foul trouble hurt us," said Bell City Coach Brian Brandtner, whose squad shot 28 of 43 from the line. "Free throws: they seemed to make them all, and we seemed to miss them all."

Jenkins led Jefferson with 18 points while Dowis added 15.

Kody Schieber and Eric Henry were both named to the first team All-State squad.

Jenkins was named to the second-team squad.

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an amazing season and career. How often do things really go that way?

And, so comes his decision to leave Maryville. There are so many reasons a coach could decide to move on and yet I can't think of a better reason than Miller's.

He decided to go home.

In the end he picked his family over the game that he has loved his entire life. He saw more value in spending time with his family than he saw in winning a Missouri state high school football championship.

If Miller was making the decision based on football alone he would probably would stay in Maryville, he even said that in the next couple of years he knew the 'Hounds would recover and be competing for the state championship once again. Instead he looked outside of himself and the game to see what really matters.

As Miller talked about taking his kids hunting and fishing and watching them grow up and participate in sports a big smile came across his face. The same smile showed up when he spoke about his wife and again when he talked about the players that he had coached in the past that still send him letters or give him phone calls.

The smiles said a lot about the man that most people never thought more of than a football coach.

People watch a football team throughout a season and at the end of it all they hold the coach responsible for the team's success or failure. Most people never see anything past what a coach does on a football field.

Can you truly judge a man by wins and losses?

Miller realizes that there is more to life and

sometimes winning is not worth the price you pay to come out on top. His exit may seem a little rash, maybe it doesn't make sense to some people, but it makes sense to him and his family and that's all that matters.

Sometimes sports are unforgiving. A person can give everything they have to a game and the game may never reward them. A person can work their entire lives to accomplish greatness and never achieve the dream. A family however lasts forever.

When I look at Miller I see the way sports are supposed to be. He coaches with the attitude that you should give your all to the game when you're playing the game, but you give your all to life when you're off the field.

When I think back to this past season and all the struggles the team fought through I am left with a couple of images.



One is of Miller standing in the middle of the practice field of Maryville high school with his arms crossed staring at the ground. He was so unhappy with the way his team had been playing not because they were losing, but because he knew that they were capable of so much better.

The second image is of Miller hugging his seniors and smiling after the 'Hounds won their final game of the season.

In that moment I truly understood what it means to be a coach. A good coach cares so much about his team that he hurts when they hurt and he smiles when they smile. He would do anything to help his players.

That's all Miller is doing, he's making the decision to help his team, it's just that this time his team doesn't wear helmets and pads. This team's players run around and play outside, they chase the ice cream truck down the street in the summer. These players don't call him coach, they call him dad.

Maryville soccer and Maryville baseball articles may be read online. Due to restraints the stories could not make it into the paper. The Missourian apologizes for this inconvenience.

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Your Man tags you



The Stroller

Spring Break is Your Man's brazen mistress. She is a dirty tease. Your Man spent the majority of last week relaxing and taking some time to reflect on this semester.

He was actually starting to enjoy himself as Sunday approached. The demands of school were a distant memory.

Much to his chagrin, work was eagerly waiting for him when Monday arrived. Apparently work had missed Your Man because he was attacked by a To Do list that would make the Great Wall of China tremble.

Now you might argue that Your Man should have been responsible during his break and tried to get some work accomplished. He would like to reply to that by saying, "No way."

Last time he checked, a break meant the cessation of work. It's not called Spring Work-on-all-these-projects.

Your Man is eagerly awaiting the end of the semester. He's counting down the days almost as religiously as Hubbard is counting down the days until the next site visit from the Baldridge kids.

Your Man is sitting at the keyboard dreaming of the all-too-distant future when he can sit around and not worry about the next paper or test.

In times of adversity such as this, Your Man likes to turn to history to find inspiration for enduring the barrage of work. This time, he's taking his cues from Qin, Han and Ming dynasties of China.

The Chinese originally built the wall to ward off the invasions of the Huns. Your Man has decided to construct the Great Pillow Fort of Maryville.

Surrounded by a wide variety of pillows (from down to decorative couch pillows), Your Man will fling paperclips and balls of paper at those trying to assign him work. 'Tis a grand defensive strategy.

Of course, the Great Pillow Fort of Maryville will not be as geographically impressive as its counterpart in China, but it will also serve as a comfortable napping place during those short breaks of an all-nighter.

Your Man is fairly certain that not enough college students make pillow forts anymore, and that is a shame. He also does not see enough games of freeze tag on the Bell Tower lawn.

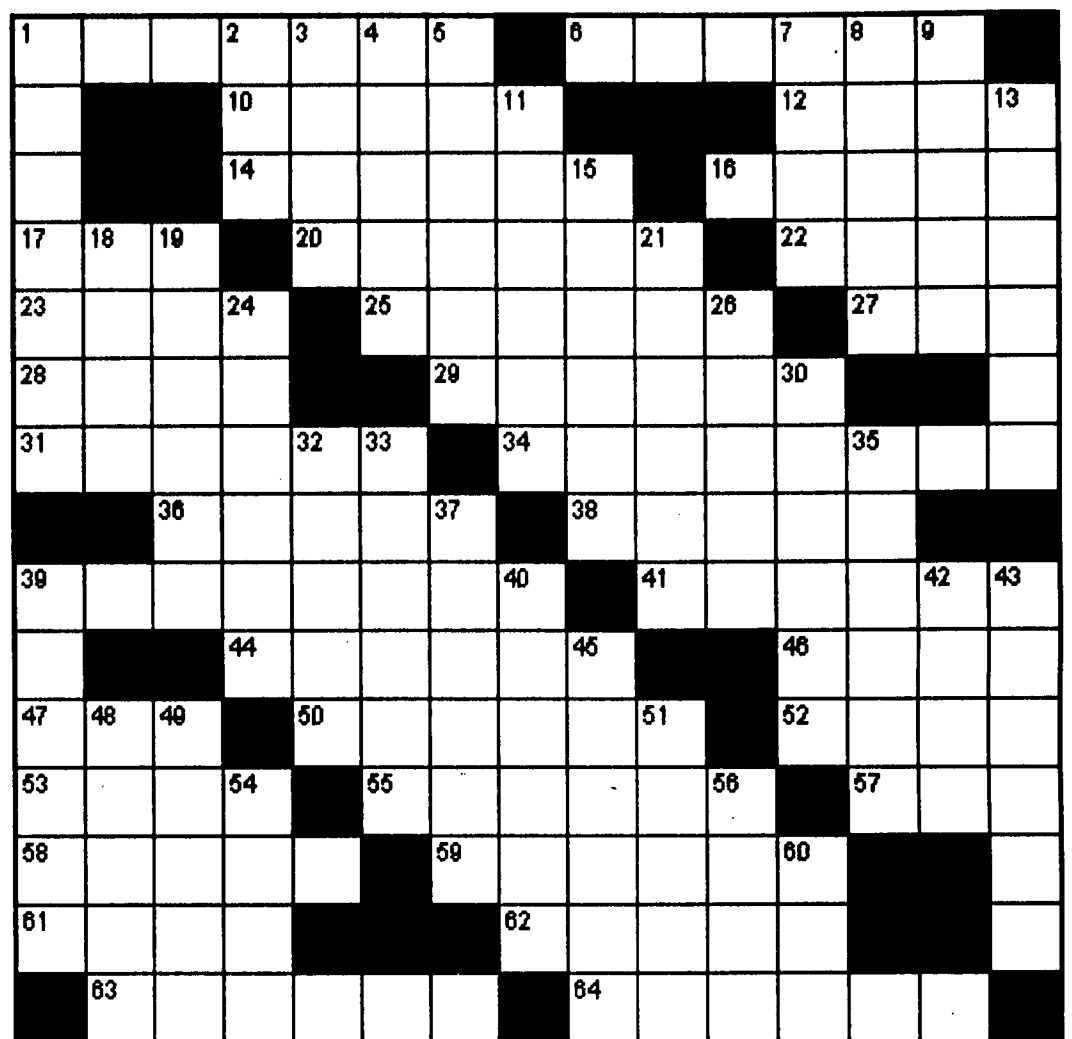
Freeze tag was rather ingenious. I'm surprised it didn't win a Nobel Prize. Your Man always liked to fake that he had been tagged and just stand still until the person who was "it" thought he or she had won. Then all of the sudden Your Man would run around and unfreeze his compatriots. That drove the chaser crazy.

Maybe next time the Baldridge people visit, we can invite them to a game of freeze tag, and Your Man will taunt them until they agree to give us the award. We've tried all this quality propaganda, why not freeze tag? Let's think outside the box.

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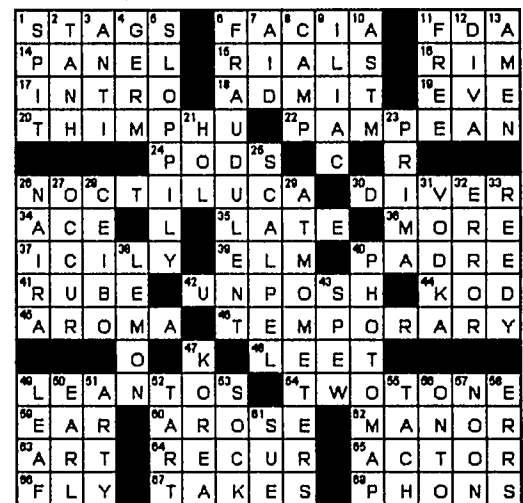
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Across

1. Perforated
6. Like an arrow
10. Annoyed
12. Hit hard
14. Tantalized
16. Finely ground meal of grain
17. Russian secret police
20. Chewer
22. Annoyed
23. Afflicts
25. Branchiate
27. Not many
28. Lady Jane
29. Satellite for navigation
31. Pass by
34. Animal stealer
36. Young boy or girl
38. Bind anew
39. Learned persons
41. Renovates
44. Observe
46. Affectedly dainty
47. Eccentric
50. Cuts off
52. The Destroyer
53. Dweeb
55. Fineness measure
57. Cardinal number
58. Arab leaders
59. Cook again
61. Deal out sparingly
62. Fry briefly
63. Proverb
64. Corruption



Down

1. Parcel
2. Curved bone
3. Steep, rugged rock
4. Stretching out
5. Keep under restraint
7. Birds of prey
8. Deep gruff sound
9. You are
11. Wattle
13. Before the war
15. Researcher
18. Female child
19. Remove the color from
21. One in repose
24. Tube to drain from higher to lower vessel
26. Italian poet
30. Pollutes
32. Grain stores
33. Overjoyed
35. Lapwing
37. Chauffeur
39. Drunk
40. Views
42. We have
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'Dreamer' leaves much to be desired

By Whitney Bocquin
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I always have high expectations for movies based on a true story, but with *Dreamer*, I was disappointed.

During an intense race in Lexington, Ky., horse Sonadore, breaks a leg. Kurt Russell (*Soldier*, *Vanilla Sky*) plays Ben Crane, the horse's trainer. After the accident, he is immediately fired from his job and takes the horse with him deciding that he will breed her. After trying to breed the horse, they find that she is infertile.



With this news, the thoroughbred is a waste and will never race again or be able to breed.

Cale, played by Dakota Fanning (*Uptown Girls*, *Hide and Seek*) is Crane's daughter who is determined to win the Breeder's Cup Classic race with Sonadore, even though she had been injured. After intense training and rehabilitation, Sonadore is ready to race again.

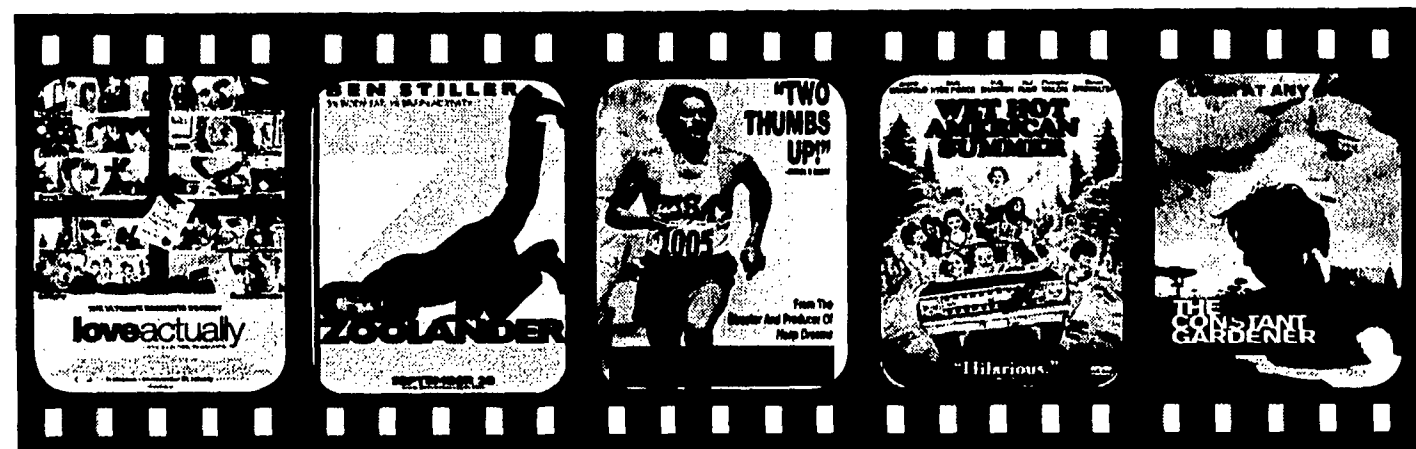
Russell gives a good family performance of a man who is rough on the outside but grows more emotional and family oriented by the end of the movie.

Fanning is known for playing the "cute" little girl in most films, and gives this movie the exact same performance but nothing of great quality.

The downside of the movie is that it is rather slow for the first half, and uses "horse racing lingo" that is hard to understand unless you are familiar with the sport.

I wasn't very interested in the movie and would have been more interested in watching a marathon of "Simple Life" episodes.

Overall, the movie is a good family movie that horse lovers will love but there are more entertaining movies to spend your time watching.



Editor's Flick Picks

Each week a *Missourian* staffer will entice you to broaden your viewing pleasure with their favorites. This week is Kristine Hotop, Design Editor.

Love Actually

I don't really like romantic comedies. In fact, I probably go out of my way to avoid seeing them. Mixing awkward pauses with even more awkward comedic roles just doesn't do it for me. However, in a slight lapse of my romantic comedy judging, I was tricked into seeing *Love Actually* and I absolutely adore it.

The movie centers around eight people who are involved in crazy and confusing relationships. It shows how relationships can arise in the oddest of couples and that each person is searching for that specific feeling from another that sometimes words cannot convey.

The best part about *Love Actually* is the dirty humor slipped in the entire film. A couple meets on the set of an adult film, a guy flies to American and is seduced by three American roommates, one woman finally has the man she's been eyeing for years, a famous singer uses the raunchiest language in order to persuade people to buy his music and a man learns his lesson through an odd office affair.

The film has many different plot lines, each in its own way amusing and hilarious.

Zoolander

When a film can mix really, really, ridiculously good-looking people, freak gasoline fight accidents and merman's in to an hour and a half of non-stop laughing, it's worth my time.

Being a quote-whore, this movie feeds my desire fully. The film is packed with hilarious quotes the entire time that either make your head tilt in confusion, re-play the scene because you are laughing to loudly or repeat the line over and over to everybody you see in the next 14 days.

Mugatu (Will Ferrell), the evil, psychotic fashion designer wants to use cheap labor to produce his clothes in Malaysia, but the prime minister of Malaysia wants to stop child labor practices.

In order to prevent this from happening, Mugatu brainwashes Derek Zoolander (Ben Stiller) to kill the prime minister. All the while, Zoolander is battling the new male model of the year winner Hansel (Owen Wilson), to see who is the best.

As confusing as the plot line may seem, the movie's comedic roles, actors and quotes prove to be the winning factor.

Prefontaine

Films about athletes are always intriguing, especially when they correlate to a sport that is deeply loved. As a runner in high school, before each meet the team would get together and watch *Prefontaine* because of his strive and determination to be the best.

Jared Leto's performance as Prefontaine was unmatched. He's hardly recognizable as the running legend and R. Lee Ermey as coach Bill Bowerman reminds me of my former coach.

Runners can relate to the acting duo, because they display the type of relationship that athletes have with their coaches. Even the most stubborn of runners can find a void their coach filled in their running career.

Running is only exciting for those doing it, but the movie's suspenseful (yes, I said suspenseful) track meets keep attention spans going. His goals make him an American legend in the field of running.

Wet Hot American Summer

Ah, *Wet Hot American Summer* is definitely in the books as a classic, and don't get the wrong impression; this is a comedy, not a porno.

The entire movie takes place in 24 hours on the last day of summer camp. Summer is ending, and the camp counselors are anxious to make the last day count. The jokes not only slap you in the face, but the entire time the characters are dropping sarcastic, dry comments that keep you laughing the entire time.

An all star cast, most of which appear on Saturday Night Live or MAD TV, make up the team of camp counselors. The entire movie takes place in that 24 hours and is full of overly dramatic, yet witty scenes.

The Constant Gardener

Not only was Rachel Wiesz performance amazing but it also won her an Oscar for best supporting actress.

Brought together by flashbacks, the movie tours the thought process of Justin Quayle (Ralph Fiennes) as he follows the trail answering questions about his wife's mysterious murder. Filling through rumors of her affairs and conspiracies stories, Quayle has to search and gather the pieces to figure out what his wife had been hiding the entire time.

The movie shows that women can have independent lives away from their husbands and have a meaning to keep it separate. It also forces the viewer to think about how politics and money are involved in everything.

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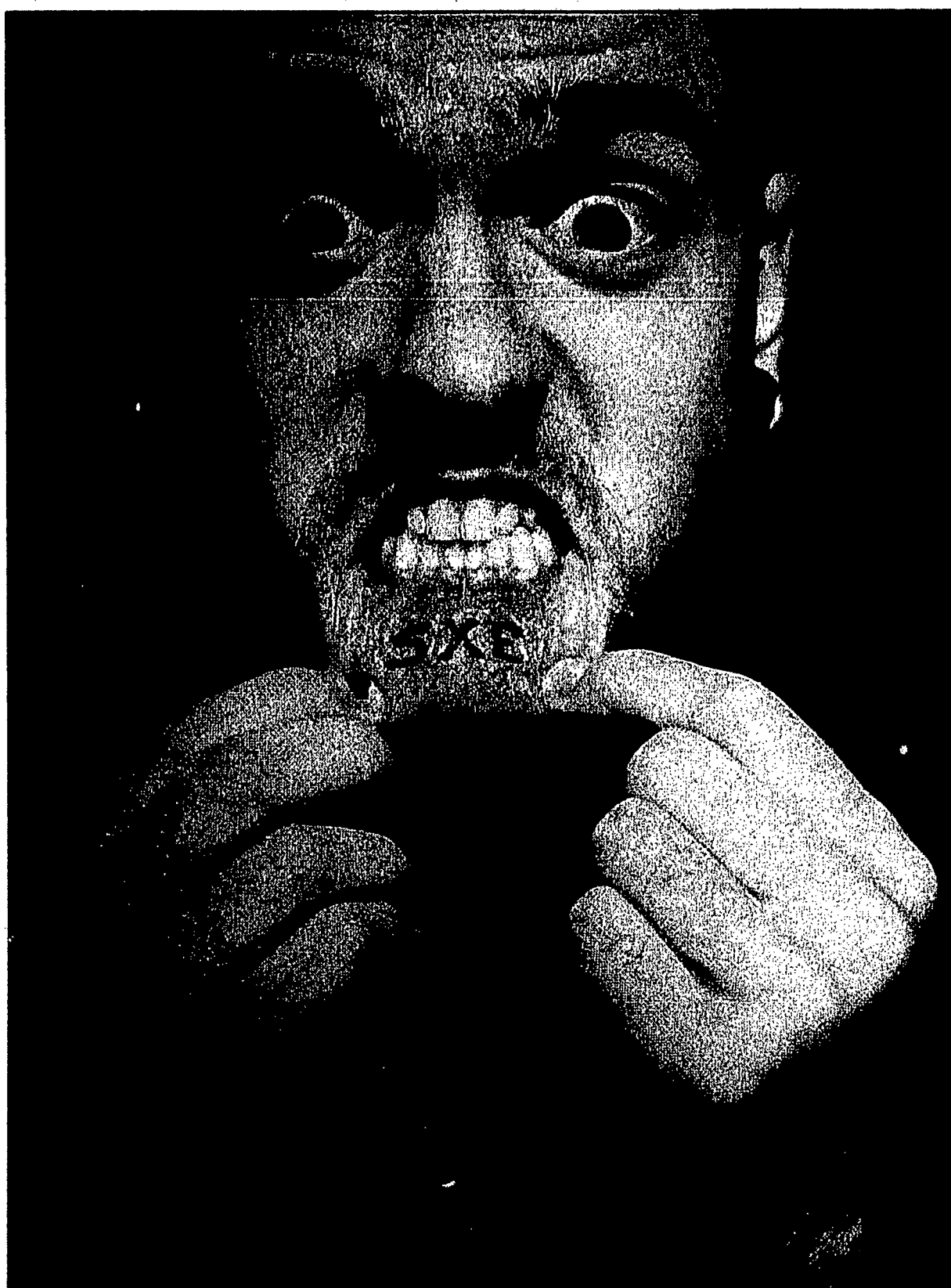
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LEFT, GUY Niederhauser shows his small SXE tattoo on the inside of his lip. SXE is an abbreviation for Straight Edge. This was his first tattoo and it was inked in July 2005. Top right, Niederhauser shows his most significant Straight Edge tattoo. Niederhauser had this tattoo done in August 2005. "Drug free" solidifies his promise to remain free of drugs and alcohol. Bottom right, Chris Bumeter clutches his guitar. Bumeter believes his time is better spent playing music than engaging in drinking or smoking.

LIVING

on the 'edge'

A NEW LIFESTYLE HAS
INFLUENCED STUDENTS
TO LIVE FREE OF
ALCOHOL AND DRUGS

By Ashley Bally
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As he shuffles into the crowded room he can't help but notice the putrid haze of cigarette smoke settling above the heads of the other partygoers.

He stays with his friends and yet feels like an outcast. The sea of red plastic cups and the light clicking sound of a keg pumping in the background makes him increasingly anxious.

Then someone asks, "Hey, do you want a drink?"

Bumeter holds up his clear plastic water bottle and says, "No, thanks. I'm all set."

Northwest sophomore Chris Bumeter is one of a growing number of college students choosing to follow a Straight Edge lifestyle.

What it means to be "edge"

The most widely accepted definition of Straight Edge is to follow a life, free of alcohol, cigarettes and abusive drugs.

However, some followers take it a step further abandoning pre-marital sex, prescription drugs and caffeine.

"To me it's no drinking, or taking drugs," Bumeter said. "It's about living a clean life, and not doing anything that is going to poison your body."

Bumeter achieved the ability to say something very few people can: that he has never smoked or had a drink. He has been Straight Edge for a year, when he learned what the term meant.

"I think more people follow it than what we realize," he said. "They just don't understand the term."

When the movement began

The term Straight Edge came into play in 1981 when hardcore band, Minor Threat, released the song titled, "Straight Edge."

Several of the hardcore bands, which encourage Straight Edge themes, include Throwdown, Embrace Today, Bleeding Through and Comeback Kid.

Since then many followers of hardcore music have adopted the philosophy as a way of life and the trend itself is beginning to explode in Kansas City.

"Originally, you have the hardcore bands that started it," Bumeter said. "Now it seems it can pull away from the music scene. Music definitely started it, but now people have their own interpretation of what it is and means to them."

Growing up "edge"

University of Missouri Freshman Guy Niederhauser, has followed the Straight Edge way of life since he was 15-years-old.

He fell into "edge" after a friend exposed him to the term through hardcore music. He already followed a life absent of smoking and drinking, so the label seemed to fit and he has carried it, ever since.

"The main thing about drinking that has turned me off is that I have never seen anything good come out of it," Niederhauser said.

Although choosing to be Straight Edge is healthy on the body, it can put a strain on personal relationships.

Niederhauser remained so devoted to the principles of "edge" that in high school he wouldn't allow himself to be friends with other students who drank. Even carrying his beliefs as far as breaking up with girls who didn't harbor similar beliefs.

"It's hard for me to care for someone and put time into a relationship when they feel they have a void to fill by smoking and getting smashed every

weekend," he said. "It's the same with friends. I felt if I was going to invest in a friendship, I wasn't going to get the same back from them."

Niederhauser regrets his previous judgments, believing he may have missed out on many friendship opportunities.

"The fact that I don't agree with their lifestyle choices doesn't mean they aren't really cool people," he said.

The transition to a college environment has had a maturing effect on Niederhauser.

"Once I got to college, I knew that if I had followed that philosophy I wouldn't have many friends," he said. "Even though I still don't agree with it, I am mature enough to know that some kids are going to drink, smoke and do drugs."

Symbols and enforcers

Many Straight Edge followers identify themselves with thick black Xs drawn on the back of their hands. Other identification symbols include the abbreviation, sXe or SxE.

Niederhauser has made the lifelong commitment to edge and glorifies his decision through a number of tattoos he's had done.

"I got my lip done because I wanted a Straight Edge tattoo and I didn't want my mom to see it," he said. "The 'drug free' tattoo is always going to be important to me. It's a constant reminder and I never want to have to cover it up, because it's huge."

Bumeter has begun taking the steps to get his first Straight Edge tattoo. He is considering some Xs around the shoulder.

"I'm proud to say that I am Straight Edge to people because it shows I have surpassed peer pressure," Bumeter said. "My younger brother is also following the same thing. We'd rather be hanging out, playing guitar, than going out and getting wasted."

Some people believe tattoos are another form of addiction, harming the body. Niederhauser believes, to be



BUMETER shows off his first two tattoos. He is working on the concept for his first Straight Edge tattoo.

"edge" is not to partake in anything that would impair someone's mental state.

A life-long decision
Both Bumeter and Niederhauser insist Straight Edge is a life-long promise to stay healthy and drug free, which neither intends to break.

"The words 'Straight Edge' mean so much to me that it's not worth 'breaking edge,'" Niederhauser said. "It helps me stay in the mindset that if I do I will lose everything I have worked for. I know what I am and what Straight Edge means to me."